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Commotion at Senate session

A police officer talks with Fabian M. Indalecio and Sen. Paul A. Manglona (Ind-Saipan) as House of Representatives sergeant-at-arm Pedro Towai listens at the parking lot of the Senate yesterday afternoon. Also in the photo are other police officers who responded after Indalecio called the police to file a complaint against Hocog, who allegedly aggressively tried to approach him during the Senate session. Hocog said he only stood up and had no intention of hurting Indalecio, who called the senators a corrupted group. Inset, Senate sergeant-at-arm Juan Santos escorts Indalecio outside the Senate chamber, after he was cut from making his statement during a Senate session yesterday morning. FERDIE DE LA TORRE

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A commotion occurred during the start of the Senate's session yesterday morning after military veteran Fabian M. Indalecio, whose testimony at the session was cut for being "out of order," called the Senate "a corrupted group," angering Sen. Victor B. Hocog (R-Rota).

Hocog

Several police officers arrived in the parking lot

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Charges filed vs Sen. Hocog

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A vocal government critic has filed charges against Sen. Victor Hocog (R-Saipan) for allegedly attempting to assault him while he was giving a testimony at a public Senate session yesterday.

Fabian Indalecio has filed assault charges against Hocog for allegedly "charging at him" and for shouting profanities at him during a public session yesterday on Capital Hill.

Indalecio, who immediately contacted police after he was escorted out of the Senate chamber following the incident, claims he was just exercising his right to free speech when Hocog allegedly tried to assault him.

"I was exercising my right to [free] speech and speaking for the people who can't speak for themselves. The senator, who is supposed to be working for us, [cusses]

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DPS: San Roque fatality was not hit-and-run

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The Department of Public Safety has affirmed that the recent San Roque auto-pedestrian collision that killed a man was not a hit-and-run and the driver of the car involved is currently under investigation. Besides that, DPS continues to issue minimal details about the incident.

According to an official update from DPS, the driver involved in the auto pedestrian accident last Oct. 18, a 32-year-old local male, is currently under investigation by police. The accident claimed the life of Melvin Sakisat.

More details about the fatal accident are forthcoming as it

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Senate, House adopt different dates for SOCA

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Oct. 31 or Dec. 1? That is the question. The date as to when Gov. Ralph DLG Torres will deliver his State of the Commonwealth Address remains up in the air as both the House of Representatives and Senate cannot agree on a specific date and venue.

The Senate and the House adopted yesterday morning separate resolutions to call for a joint session of the Legislature to receive Torres' SOCA, with the Senate agreeing to Torres' request to hold the SOCA at the Kensington Hotel Saipan on Oct. 31. The House, however, wants the SOCA held in the House chamber on Dec. 1.

The Senate was the first to adopt their joint resolution during a regular session.

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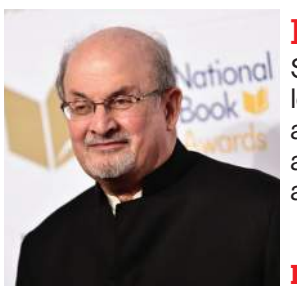

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Local

MVA board approves $68K for DFS cultural project

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The Marianas Visitors Authority board of directors unanimously voted in favor of approving a $68,000 request by the DFS T-Galleria Saipan management for a project that would convert the south wing of the DFS mall into an exhibit space that would showcase the beautiful culture of the CNMI.

Dubbed the "Garapan Re-energization project," a DFS team composed of Rachel Tan, DFS vice president for operation, and team members Jamika Taijeron, James Santos and Sunshine Salas, presented the plan during an MVA board meeting last Thursday. It came with a price tag of $68,000.

"[The exhibit would showcase] daily performances to attract tourists or locals who come to the store. [They can also] enjoy art demonstrations and cultural performances throughout the day like *mwar*-making, coconut weaving, and other traditional handicrafts will be featured at the Galleria. The Galleria won't be just about shopping, but also participating in activities that are interactive, immersive and memorable that visitors can share with their friends," Tan said.

MVA board members Viola Alepuyo, Ivan Quichocho, Gloria Cavanagh, Chris Nelson, Agida Quitugua, Masaru Sunaga and Thomas Liu voted in favor of approving the proposal.

MVA will provide funding for the re-energization project for three months.

However, Tan said DFS will be reviewing and redeveloping the idea so that it can be sustainable for the future.

Tan stated that DFS' long-term vision is to make Garapan an iconic destination for tourists and locals while also rebuilding the tourist economy.

"The goal is to have a year-long activity along the front of our store and along the streets of Garapan. We [want] to contribute to the rebuilding of tourism [but] we can't do it alone," she said.

DFS plans to launch the cultural initiative project by mid-November.

Tan said the exhibit will be open during DFS' business hours, which is 1pm to 7pm on weekdays and 1pm to 9pm on weekends.

"We will have the cultural and historical performances and demonstrations during our operational hours," she said.

NMC alumna Jamerie Paras serves her country

SPC Jamerie Paras, a 2022 graduate of Northern Marianas College's School of Business, is working toward becoming a combat medic specialist of the U.S. Army at Fort Sam in Houston, Texas.

Paras, who graduated with honors from the U.S. Army Combat Basic Training in August 2022, said enlisting in the military is her way of showing appreciation to the country of which she is a naturalized citizen.

The 34-year-old married mother of three girls is originally from the Philippines.

"I was a captain in the Cadet Officer Leadership Training class in the Philippines, back when I was in high school," Paras said. "When I was at NMC, I joined the Future Leaders Club where I met SFC Romeo Igisomar who informed me that the Army could help me obtain my master's degree. After meeting him, I decided to enlist."

Jamerie Paras NMC

Paras enlisted in the U.S. Army after receiving her bachelor's degree in business management from NMC.

For Paras, her training experience was an "eye opener."

"Not being able to talk to my family when I needed to or wanted to is one big thing," Paras said. "There were several weeks that I was not able to speak to my kids. I can say that this is what made me feel like a real soldier—to be out there serving your country but unable to connect to your family. The Army's basic combat training course changed me in so many ways and it was definitely an experience of a lifetime that I will surely never forget."

Paras said the medical field wasn't her first choice when she enlisted.

"When I thought about being a combat medic, I was first terrified by the thought of dying and leaving my family," Paras said. "But God has his own way of showing you the way. After going over my options and knowing that I like to travel, meet people and help people, I decided that being a combat medic was the right choice for me."

Paras thanks her husband, Alfred Ryan Paras, her children, her coworkers, the Saipan Army Reserve Center, and NMC for all the support they have given her. ***(PR)***

Torres: Approval of $5M more for Japan TRIP soon

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Gov. Ralph DLG Torres is currently working on approving the Marianas Visitors Authority's recent request for $5 million that would go toward the Japan TRIP program.

In an interview with Torres, he said he believes in the importance of investing in tourism as it is the CNMI's main source of revenue, so since MVA submitted its request for an addition $5 million for TRIP Japan, he and Finance Secretary David Atalig have been working on the approval of the request, which is forthcoming.

"The answer [to] MVA's request' is definitely yes. The approval should be forthcoming. We've looking at [this request] and like I said, this is a time for us to make investments on MVA and all of our tourism sources. If we don't make investments, whether it be for Japan, Korea, [or] Australia, then none of us can expect our economy to grow. In order for us to hope for a better workforce, for training, to keep [the Northern Marianas Technical Institute] going, or continue trainings with [the Northern Marianas College], we need to make an investment and support our tourism economy," Torres said.

In a separate interview with Ivan Quichocho, who is the Japan TRIP chairman, he said it is important to show Japan partners that the CNMI is dedicated to reviving the market by investing in the program.

"We have a beautiful destination. We have willing travel partners, and we have the goal in sight so we can't stop our efforts. We've got to keep moving forward. So we've got to have confidence that… we're going to make it work. But it's not an easy road. I just want to be very clear that… every day is a fight for us and it's not easy," he said.

According to *Saipan Tribune* archives, MVA chair Viola Alepuyo said that MVA recently asked for an additional $5 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds from Torres that would be used for the Japan TRIP program.

Alepuyo explained that the allocation would go toward enticing other Japanese destinations, aside from Narita, to visit the islands.

"We have made an additional $5 million request for Japan TRIP so we can explore bringing in other Japan destinations such as Osaka, Fukuoka, etc., to ensure continued direct [flights] from Saipan to various destinations in Japan," she said.

Initially, the Office of the Governor allocated $15 million for TRIP Japan, which officially launched on Sept. 1.

MVA managing director Priscilla Iakopo previously said that a portion of the $15 million would go toward the TRIP program's airline incentive, while the remaining funding would be used to promote and advertise the CNMI in Japan.

"The $15 million would be used for airline incentives and then we want to have some marketing programs. We want to also do a lot of cooperative promotions and advertisements with our travel trade partners. What we want to do is come up with different programs so that we can entice our Japanese tourists to also visit Tinian and Rota as well," she said.

As of Sept. 5, MVA has successfully been advertising the CNMI as a destination in Japan and has even established a partnership with the operators of the famous travel website Expedia to further promote the islands to Japanese travelers.

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Chamber grateful to USCIS for easing CW-1 extension rule

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The Saipan Chamber of Commerce appreciates U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services' recent announcement that it will consider certain CW-1 petitions seeking an extension of status for temporary workers present in the CNMI to be filed on time even if USCIS receives them after the worker's current period of CW-1 petition validity expires.

"The Saipan Chamber of Commerce, along with many workers, their families, children, and employers, is very pleased with the recent filing guidance issued by the USCIS for CW-1 petitions," said Chamber president Joe Guerrero.

He added that USCIS giving consideration to the filing of CW-1 petitions was a result of the effective collaboration and discussions among Gov. Ralph DLG Torres, the Governor's Council of Economic Advisors, the Saipan Chamber of Commerce, Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan, and USCIS.

"The Chamber is grateful for all the time and efforts of everyone who made this possible. This same group is also working on other CW-1 visa program challenges and access to a workforce that the CNMI clearly needs at this time to rebuild its economy," he added.

USCIS' announcement temporarily eases the implementation of the touchback rule, which affects certain CW-1 workers who are required to exit the Commonwealth for 30 days before their employers can even apply for their renewals.

For foreign worker advocate Malou Berueco, the touchback rule doesn't only hurt affected CW-1 workers but is also damaging to businesses that employ them. She said the CNMI currently doesn't have enough skilled workers like welders, auto painters, and bodybuilders, among others.

"Are there locals who want to work as farmers or heavy equipment operators?" she asked in Filipino, adding that a month, two months, or even three months is not enough time to train skilled workers or even nurses.

If possible, Berueco wants the touchback rule scrapped altogether and, if not, just limit CW-1 workers who are affected by the rule to those who first came to the CNMI to work in 2019.

"There's already [Temporary Labor Certification], there's also [Job Vacancy Announcements]. …There's just not enough manpower on island for us to revive the economy. …They should just scrap or delete the touchback rule and push for H.R. 560."

H.R. 560 seeks to grant permanent residency status in the Marianas to certain CW-1 workers and to foreign investors admitted under Commonwealth immigration law.

In a statement with a release date of Oct. 18 2022, that was posted on the USCIS website, it said that USCIS is providing this limited accommodation to facilitate the current TLC processing delays in the U.S. Department of Labor. In essence, USCIS is saying it would not consider certain petitions to renew CW-1 visas late if the petitions had been held up by the backlog at U.S. Labor.

Normally, under Department of Homeland Security regulations, an employer may only file a CW-1 petition on behalf of a worker present in the CNMI if the worker is lawfully present in the CNMI, and USCIS will not approve an extension of nonimmigrant status if the worker's nonimmigrant status expired before the petition is filed. Under statutory requirements and DHS and DOL regulations, CW-1 petitions must include an approved TLC.

However, USCIS has the discretionary authority to excuse a late filing for extension of status petitions in limited circumstances. USCIS has determined that it is appropriate to exercise such authority to excuse late filings of CW-1 petitions (petitions USCIS receives after the current CW-1 status expires) by employers in the CNMI.

GCA Eagles continue to soar at 1st post-COVID forensic competition

The administration, faculty, and parents of Grace Christian Academy would like to congratulate their students who participated during the first face-to-face post-COVID Primary Grade Forensic Competition that was held on Saturday, Oct. 16, at Mount Carmel School.

Despite the rain, over 200 young competitors from different schools on the island joined the forensic competition.

GCA's PGFC coordinator, Ruth Lopez, said that GCA students were excited and eager to participate on this year's event after a two-year hiatus and virtual competition last year.

"We are so proud of our Eagles!" she said. Out of the 15 events that the GCA students participated, nine events received a place.

The winners of the K2 division are as follows: Dramatic Interpretation, Elaina Atalig, 5th place; Readers Forum (F) Solen Camacho, 1st place; Readers' Forum (Master A), Caleb Shin, 5th place, and Humorous Interpretation, Caleb Shin, 3rd place.

The winners of the 3rd-5th Division are as follows: Dramatic Interpretation, Chloe Hayul Shin, 4th place; Reader's Forum (Masters A) Chloe Hayul Shin -2nd place; Humorous Interpretation, Gabrielle Ann Arriola -1st place; Reader's Forum (F) Gabrielle Ann Arriola ,1st place and Declamation (A), En Mei Huang, 4th place. ***(PR)***

'Years of disasters impeded prior SOCA'

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Gov. Ralph DLG. Torres stated that years of disasters have impeded prior State of the Commonwealth Addresses from occurring.

Torres' last SOCA was in August 2018 at the Pedro P. Tenorio Multi-Purpose Center in Susupe.

Torres, in his letter Wednesday to Senate President Jude U. Hofschneider (R-Tinian) and House of Representatives Speaker Edmund S. Villagomez (Ind-Rota), said the SOCA is a critical element in ensuring that the public is aware of the actions and decisions of its government.

The governor said that last Oct. 14, he asked the attendance of both House and Senate to join him on Friday, Oct. 21, as he shares the story of the resiliency of the islands and its people during the 2022 SOCA.

He said SOCA's goal is to provide the public an opportunity to hear from its government, the challenges they have faced, and the progress they have made as a community.

Torres said SOCA is traditionally delivered before the Legislative Branch when the Legislature formally requests for one through a joint resolution, for which a joint resolution is also traditionally initiated by the House.

He said in the last three years, the Legislature has not introduced a joint resolution nor has it formally requested his office to present the SOCA before the joint chambers.

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500 SAILS

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS
EDA GRANT NO. 07-79-07817

NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS MARITIME TRAINING CENTER
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500 Sails, located in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, is soliciting bids from qualified vendors that are interested in providing professional services for the design and construction management for the Northern Mariana Islands Maritime Training Center (aka Cultural Maritime Training Center or CMTC).

The EDA funded project proposed is a renovation of a 30,900 sq ft warehouse that is in generally good condition and currently in use as a boatyard and teaching facility, and administrative offices. The renovation does not change the footprint of the warehouse. The renovation includes construction of a classrooms and offices area, roof repairs, replacement of warehouse doors and windows, the selection and installation of air conditioning and air circulation for the entire facility including air filtration and exhaust, selection and installation of an overhead crane, and the installation of multiple delivery points of compressed air, vacuum hookups, and electrical outlets within the boatyard/shop floor.

The Scope of Work is available beginning October 24, 2022 at 9:00am Chamorro Standard Time (ChST) at the 500 Sails Boatyard and Administrative office, located in Lower Base, Saipan. Requests may be sent via email to nmimtc@500Sails.org.

A mandatory on-site pre-proposals conference will be held at the 500 Sails boatyard on November 3, 2022 at 4:00pm ChST.

All questions or inquiries regarding this RSQ are due no later than 9:00pm, ***November 4, 2022 by email only***. Responses to questions or inquiries will be provided on November 11, 2022.

Sealed proposal for this project shall be submitted with one (1) original and four (4) copies to the 500 Sails Boatyard and Administrative Office, located at in Lower Base, Saipan, MP 96950 no later than 3:00pm, local time, ChST, November 14, 2022 and must be marked **"Proposal - Northern Marianas Maritime Training Center 500 Sails-2022-RSQ-001".**

Electronic submissions may be accepted if approved prior to the submission deadline.

Failure to follow the instructions regarding the submission of RSQ Responses may result in 500 Sails' choice to disqualify such bids.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GREGORIO MUNA CAMACHO, AKA: "KACHUMA" Decedent. : Civil Action No. 22-0234 : NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS : Date: Nov. 10, 2022 : Time: 10:00 a.m. : Judge: Honorable Joseph N. Camacho

TO: THE GENERAL PUBLIC, ANY HEIRS, CLAIMANTS, OR CREDITORS OF THE LATE GREGORIO MUNA CAMACHO AKA " KACHUMA"OR HIS ESTATE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **GREGORY P. CAMACHO** has petitioned the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to issue a Verified Petition to Admit Estate into Probate and Appointment of Administrator for the Estate of Gregorio Muna Camacho, AKA: " Kachuma", the decedent. The proposed Administrator is Gregory P. Camacho. The Attorney for the Petitioner is Robert T. Torres, Attorney at Law, whose address is 5962 Plata Drive P.O. Box 500730, Saipan MP 96950.

The hearing on the Petition is scheduled to be heard on the date and at the time set forth above at the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. All interested persons or entities should appear at this hearing. Any and all persons, creditors, or entities having claims against the deceased or his Estate are hereby required by law to file their claims with the Clerk of Court within sixty (60) days of this publication or the claim(s) will be baited. A copy of your claim should also be sent to the attorney for Petitioner, **ROBERT T. TORRES, Attorney at Law**, at the address above indicated.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2022.

/s/
Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk of Court

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

In the Matter of the Estate of ROSA ORONIGO PEHNOS, Deceased. : CIVIL ACTION NO. 22-0031

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to an Order issued by the Court in this matter on October 12, 2022, I will sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the terms and conditions set forth hereinbelow, all of the right, title, and interest of Rosa Oronigo Pehnos in and to the following property:

Legal description of the property:
Lot no. 011 G 1476, situated in Kagman III, Phase I, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, containing an area of 852 square meters, more or less, as shown on DLS Check no. 011 G 29 dated April 15, 1994, recorded at the Commonwealth Recorder's Office as File no. 94-1217 on May 11, 1994, the description therein being incorporated herein by reference.

Total area of the property:
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Known encumbrances:
A mortgage in favor of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation dated April 5, 2011, Commonwealth Recorder's File no. 11-0606

Date, Time, and Place of Sale. The sale will be held on Friday, December 9, 2022, at the hour of 1:30 p.m., at The Law Offices of Michael A. White, LLC, Joeten Center, Susupe, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands. The sale will be open to the general public.

Terms and Conditions of Sale. The Terms and Conditions of Sale may be obtained from the undersigned, either prior to or at the sale. These terms and conditions shall govern the conduct of the sale.

DATED, this 19th day of October, 2022.
/s/
MICHAEL A. WHITE, Auctioneer

SENATE

From Page 1

With seven senators, including Sen. Edith E. DeLeon Guerrero (D-Saipan), voting "yes," Sen. Teresita A. Santos (Ind-Rota) abstaining, and Sen. Paul A. Manglona (Ind-Rota) absent, the Senate adopted Senate Joint Resolution 22-13.

Manglona was present during the start of the session, but he did not come back after Sen. Victor B. Hocog (R-Rota) figured in a shouting match with Fabian M. Indalecio during a public comment portion of the session.

With 15 House members voting "yes" and five minority members voting "no," the House adopted House Joint Resolution 22-18.

The House minority members are Reps. Angel A. Demapan (R-Saipan), Roy Christopher A. Ada (R-Saipan), Joseph A. Flores (Ind-Saipan), Joseph Lee Pan T. Guerrero (R-Saipan), and Patrick H. San Nicolas (R-Tinian).

Before the voting at the Senate, Senate President Jude U. Hofschneider (R-Tinian) accused Manglona of "trying to stay relevant" when this is really a simple request by the governor to have a joint session to deliver SOCA, which all senators are responsible and not just him.

Hofschneider, who is the author of Senate Joint Resolution 22-13, said he is hoping that Manglona will come up with a legislation designating a specific time of the year.

He urged Manglona to introduce a legislation so they don't have this impasse.

In clarifying the chain of events with regard to the Senate joint resolution, the president said with typical SOCA, the governor would usually advise the presiding officers to call for a joint session, which many members of the Legislature and the public know did not happen in this matter.

He said the moment Torres started inviting members of the Legislature and the public to hold a SOCA on Oct. 21, there was a concern that the legislature was not informed.

Hofschneider said the governor rescheduled it and submitted a letter to him and House Speaker Edmund S. Villagomez (Ind-Saipan).

He said he took the opportunity to introduce Senate Joint Resolution 22-13 to attest to the governor's request to call for a joint session to receive his SOCA on Oct. 1 at Kensington Hotel.

Hofschneider said he pre-filed the joint resolution on Oct. 19, but later he learned that Rep. Ralph Yumul (R-Saipan) pre-filed the following day, Oct. 20, House Joint Resolution 22-18 to call for a joint session to receive SOCA on a different date, Dec. 1.

Hofschneider said he believes the governor was just trying to provide more clarity of the state of the Commonwealth "as far as where we're at today," irrespective of the date.

Hofschneider urged Manglona to come up with a legislation that designates a time during the month of every year so it doesn't matter who the governor is, he or she must report in a joint session.

"Because right now, it's very vague. Everybody wants to do it at a certain time," he said.

The president noted that Manglona was absent the whole time when the Senate tackled and resolved biggest responsibility of a member of the Legislature—the fiscal Year 2023 government's budget.

"Out of touch, out of sight. Now he wants to be relevant in this joint resolution," Hofschneider said.

Manglona said Sunday that Hofschneider's memorandum issued that day at 7am calling for a Senate session yesterday at 8am not only violates the Open Government Act, but is also an obvious move that the Senate is "racing" to hold a session before the House holds its session yesterday at 9am.

Hofschneider said yesterday at the session that it's not about trying to observe whose joint resolution is greater than the other, but about allowing for that platform for the chief executive to deliver SOCA.

"And I'm surprised that some of us here in the Legislature, when there's other public functions like graduation of our hardworking frontliners at some of these private areas, no one's complaining," he said.

The president said a couple of weeks ago, some of the lawmakers were at the Pacific Islands Club for a public event. Hofschneider said PIC is a private venue, but no one's complaining about public funds and all of that.

"But when this thing [SOCA] comes up, now everybody's up in arms that we should do it here," he said.

The president said early voting for the general election is going to start in a couple of weeks at the Pedro P. Tenorio Multi-Purpose Center, where the SOCA is usually held.

"For the interests of the general public, it doesn't matter what color you are, who you are, what party you are. Allow the governor to report to us whether you agree with him or not," Hofschneider said.

In response to Hocog's question as to what will happen if the Senate and the House adopt a joint resolution for different dates, Senate legal counsel Antonette Villagomez said in order to have a joint session, both houses have to adopt a resolution.

"So if the Senate joint resolution is adopted by the Senate and not adopted by the House, then we cannot have a joint session," she said.

A longer version of this story is available at www. saipantribune.com

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is still a developing investigation.

The department did note that initial investigation ruled that there was no alcohol involved in the accident.

According to a previous article on the *Saipan Tribune*, police responded to a call regarding an auto pedestrian crash in San Roque across Kensington Hotel Saipan at around 9:40pm last Tuesday, Oct. 18.

The victim, Sakisat, was reportedly hit by what is believed to be a pickup truck on his way to work on the evening of Oct. 18.

It was learned that the victim was transported to the Commonwealth Health Center at around 10pm, but succumbed to his injuries at around 12am. Sakisat was officially pronounced dead by Dr. Elizabeth Culp at around 12:53am on Oct. 19.

Since the accident, family members of Sakisat started a GoFundMe account to help raise funds for the victim's funeral. For those interested in donating, you may visit the GoFundMe account at https://www.gofundme.com/yedaa-funeral-expenses.

According to family members of the deceased, Sakisat is survived by his daughter, Lina, and siblings: Molly, Eda, Jerome, Julian, and Peter.

Sakisat, a cancer survivor who fought the good fight for six years, is an advocate of the Commonwealth Cancer Association.

CHARGES

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at me and charges in my direction," he said.

Indalecio told police officers that he was reading his testimony when Senate President Jude Hofschneider (R-Saipan) stopped him, saying he was straying from the point of the session's discussion. This angered Indalecio, prompting him to accuse the entire Senate of being "corrupt" and leading to Hocog's alleged outburst.

"The Senate president felt like my testimony was [out of context] but I was leading to my point, when he decided I should be escorted out. So I got very angry and said that the whole bunch of them was corrupt and Victor Hocog decided to shout profanities at me before he stood up and charged [in] my direction. The sergeant-at-arms had to block him from coming at me. He was very aggressive. Then he was escorted to the president's chambers," Indalecio told officers.

Indalecio said that he wanted to file charges against the senator because he is afraid for his life.

"I was not violent, I was just expressing my opinion because I have a right to freedom of speech. I felt very threatened by his approach, I was scared. I fear for my life now, this all so concerning especially for a senator," he said.

Responding officers took Indalecio's complaint and assured him that they would log his police report and launch an investigation into his complaint.

Meanwhile, Sen. Paul Manglona (Ind-Rota) also spoke with police officers to corroborate Indalecio's story, stating that he witnessed Hocog saying profanities at Indalecio and stand up as if to charge at him.

"I don't really think [Indalecio] was out of order. I believe everyone should be given the freedom to practice their right to freedom of speech. That was not right of Hocog. We are a democracy and as leaders, we should allow people to practice their right to freedom of speech," he said.

Manglona said he wanted to stand up for Indalecio because he (Manglona) has been at the receiving end of Hocog's temper before, with Hocog allegedly also attempting to charge at him during a previous session in February.

"I'm still waiting for the final police report. There hasn't been any progress on that. I'm concerned about what's happening. It's become a common practice in the CNMI Senate that when somebody says something you don't like, you go on and start a fight. That's why I feel for Fabian," he said.

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of the Senate after Indalecio called the police to file a complaint against Hocog. No one was arrested.

Hocog, in a later interview with *Saipan Tribune*, said he had no intention of assaulting Indalecio as he had just stood up. "I know that somebody probably must have paid him to come and deliver that statement," the senator said.

Hocog said they always accept any public comments during the session, but Indalecio's comments regarding the proposed Senate joint resolution to accept Gov. Ralph DLG Torres' request for the State of the Commonwealth Address totally deviated from the resolution.

Hocog said Indalecio started reacting again on previous outdated issues that have already been closed.

"I'm very glad that the president of the Senate used his authority to stop him from deviating away from public comments," he said.

The senator said they really did not hear the end of Indalecio's idea regarding the joint resolution that the Senate had just passed.

"He's got totally no respect for the chamber and to the body that is sitting—to have called them a corrupted body in general," Hocog said.

At the podium, Indalecio said he was supposed to speak about Gov. Ralph DLG Torres' request to the Legislature to call for a joint session to receive the governor's State of the Commonwealth Address. Indalecio said the Senate is holding an emergency session after acquitting Torres.

Senate President Jude U. Hofschneider (R-Tinian) told Indalecio to stay within the context of the agenda. Indalecio responded that he was leading to it. Hofschneider told Indalecio that he was already veering off and that he was not arguing with him. The president said he was going to cut him off.

In his prepared statement, Indalecio said that yesterday's emergency session is a concern. Hofschneider said it's not an emergency session but a special session. He reminded Indalecio again to stay in the context of the agenda. Indalecio said he would do so. He said Hofschneider coming up with a memorandum about a joint resolution "seems off and disturbing."

Indalecio talked about the succeeding memorandum issued by Hofschneider.

The president told Indalecio that he's done with his comments and instructed the sergeant-at-arm to escort him to his seat. Indalecio continued talking.

"Believe me, I told you to stay within the context. You're finished, Mr. Indalecio," Hofschneider said.

Senate sergeant-at-arm Juan Santos then approached Indalecio at the podium to escort him outside the chamber, prompting Indalecio to exclaim, "What a corrupted group!"

Hocog then uttered a profanity, stood up, and tried to walk in the direction of Indalecio.

Sen. Karl R. King-Nabors (R-Tinian), assistant sergeant-at-arm Benjamin Terlaje, and Sen. Edith E. DeLeon Guerrero (D-Saipan) then held back Hocog.

At that point, Hocog was far from Indalecio because Santos had already escorted Indalecio outside the chamber.

Hocog then went inside the Senate president's office.

As Santos was holding Indalecio to stop him from going back to the Senate chamber, the latter was shouting profanities and stating the Senate "is insulting the public."

"What a shame group, corrupted senators!" Indalecio said.

Santos subsequently managed to escort Indalecio outside the building. Indalecio then called the police to complain of assault against Hocog.

Indalecio told one of the responding police officers he was shaking because he's scared as Hocog tried to approach him.

Sen. Paul A. Manglona (Ind-Rota) also came out of the chamber and talked with the police officers.

As officers stated they would take his statements, Manglona was overheard saying that he never heard from the police about his previous complaint against Hocog.

Last Feb. 28, Manglona and Hocog engaged in a shouting match during the recess of a Senate special session intended to tackle the Impeachment Rules.

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The governor said similar to actions by a previous administration, financial reporting to the Legislature on a quarterly and on an annual basis have been submitted in the last three years without the convening of the two legislative bodies.

"I am pleased that there is interest in providing for a joint session to host this year's address since initial invitations have been provided as this gives us the opportunity to come together for this event," Torres said.

He said as he stated in his letter of invitation that while the Commonwealth has faced the greatest challenges in the past few years, they also recognize and welcome the unique opportunity to envision a stronger and brighter Commonwealth for the people.

The governor said in the spirit of cooperation, he is submitting the formal request for the Legislature to convene in a joint legislative session to receive SOCA.

Torres said his office has confirmed the use of Kensington Hall to deliver SOCA before the joint chambers on Oct. 31 at 10am.

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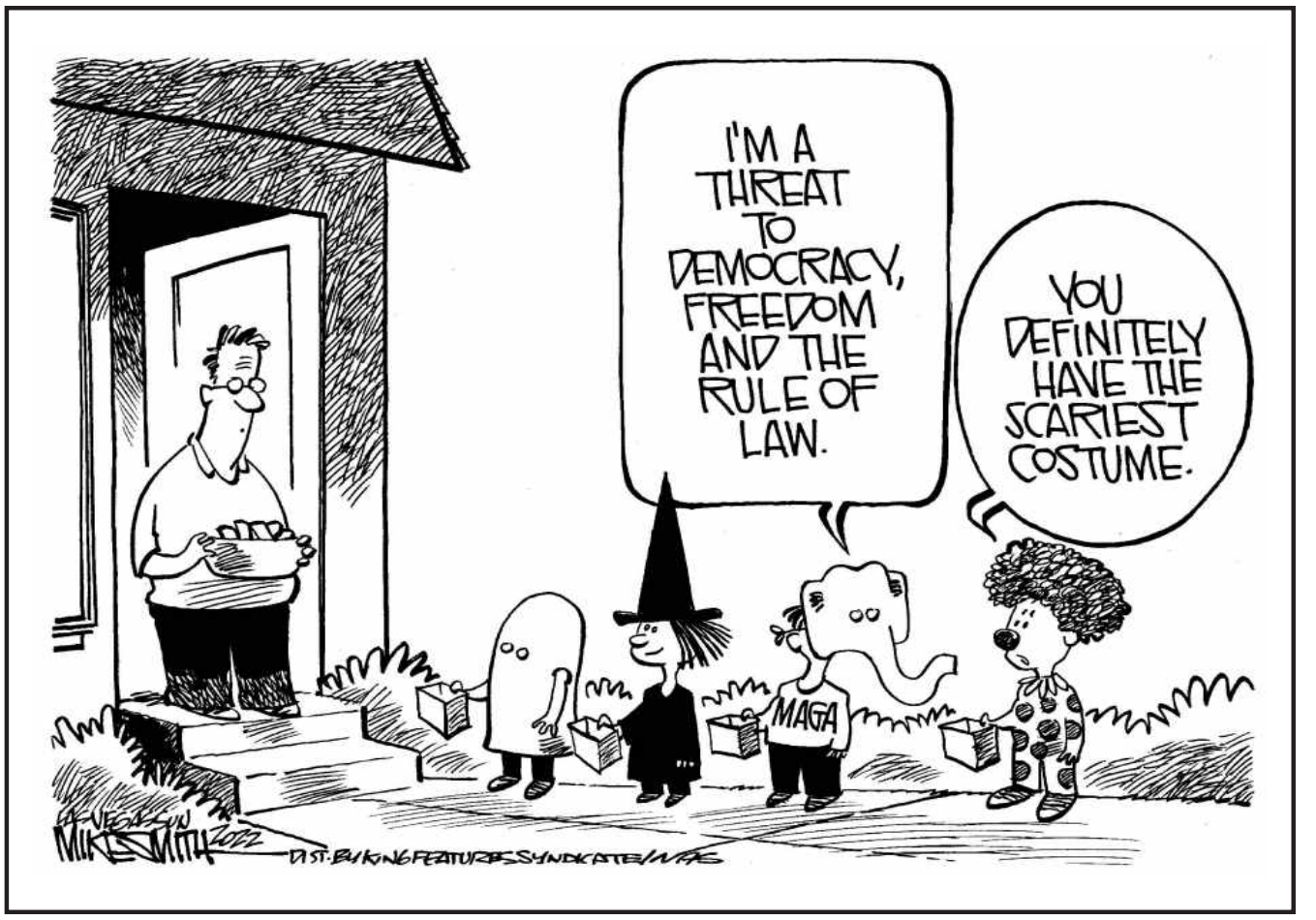
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EDITORIAL

Can't Truss it: Toodle-oo to a prime minister we barely got to know

Short-lived governments are routine in some democracies, with uncertainty the norm and predictability ever elusive. Yet never in London, where hundreds of years of steady parliamentary rule set a standard for the world going back to the first prime minister, Robert Walpole, three centuries ago. His two decades were a picture of stability.

Not now, as His Majesty's government is in chaos, with Prime Minister Liz Truss out after a mere six-week stay at 10 Downing St., besting even the brevity of the forgotten premiership of George Canning, who died after only four months when John Quincy Adams was president. Did Truss even have time to measure the drapes?

The prime minister fell on her face wrestling with a beast of an economic problem—proposing huge tax cuts and deregulation, which so rattled financial markets that the Bank of England had to move to support government-issued debt. Truss did a 180, but it was too late. She had lost the confidence of Britons and, more critically for her, the confidence of the other 356 Conservative members of Parliament.

"I am sorry and I have made mistakes," she told the Commons Wednesday, adding, "I'm a fighter and not a quitter." She quit Thursday. Thatcher was the Iron Lady, Truss is the Aluminum Foil.

The colleagues who did her in will pick her replacement next week, rendering the Truss government a footnote notable mainly because its creation was the last public act of Queen Elizabeth II. Prepare for pub quiz questions a decade from now about the two Elizabeths, the longest-serving monarch and the shortest-serving PM.

President William Henry Harrison still holds the title as the briefest in our history for his scant 31 days in the White House, but happily for Truss, she's only dead politically, and only for now.

Maybe now the Conservative MPs should find someone in their ranks with the cunning and staying power of Tory PM Francis Urquhart from the wonderful "House of Cards" (the British original; we're avoiding Kevin Spacey references today). Just without the murders.

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A little inflation help from the other side

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President Joe Biden and his designated message-deliverers just got some crucial, last-minute insights—from a most unlikely source—Wednesday night. It made clear how they should be talking about the only issue that almost half of Americans say they really care about in this all-over-the-lot midterm campaign.

Yep, we are talking today about the issue you assumed Democratic strategist James Carville made unforgettable with his famous 1992 campaign warning: "It's the economy, stupid." And you probably assumed that even today's change-resistant pols in high places would shift into rethink after a recent New York Times poll showed us that old campaign cockroach is still bugging us, big-time. Economy/Inflation was cited as the prime concern of whopping 44% of the poll's respondents. (Comparison alert: Every other issue that has been massively covered by our news media was mentioned as the major concern by a mere 5% or fewer respondents.)

On Wednesday night, a welcome insight on how to handle that economy/inflation issue was served up on CNN by a sharp and assertive conservative Republican, New Hampshire Gov. Chris Sununu, who of course never intended to help the Democrats. But it slipped by unnoticed and got quickly lost in the nightly gush that pours out of our Great News Funnels.

(Sununu deserves respect for having courageously refused to flock with the Trump sheep who publicly suck up to the former president by endorsing his disproven claims that the 2020 election was stolen from him. But today we're not talking about that Trump stuff.)

CNN's ascending star, Jake Tapper, teed up Sununu's appearance for viewers. Tapper noted that Republicans are claiming that Biden's $5 trillion post-pandemic economic recovery plan had caused today's inflation woes. He cited the warning to Biden by Bill Clinton's treasury secretary and economist, Democrat Larry Summers, that "We're in more danger than we've been during my career of losing control of inflation in the U.S." And the apologia of sorts by Biden Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen: "I think I was wrong then about the path that inflation would take."

Then he interviewed Sununu, who began by championing the standard Republican attacks about Biden's massive recovery plan fueling today's inflation: "So look, everyone talks about the $5 trillion into the economy that has driven inflation, that's absolutely true. There's no doubt."

But in the very next sentence, Sununu shifted into some essential context that is precisely the sort of thing his fellow Republicans hope you won't think about at all.

"What a lot of people don't realize," Sununu continued, is that "only a fraction has actually been spent. … The actual number of checks that have been cut is very minimal." He added that the Biden rescue plan's most sizable funding is "all designed infrastructure, all designed to be spent into '24, '25 and '26. And so inflation is going to be very exacerbated for the next few years."

Time Out: Sununu is absolutely right. While, just about all of the $350 billion in available rescue funds has been distributed to states for spending by Sununu and his fellow governors, it hasn't been spent yet. And so, the next time you hear Republicans claiming that today's inflation crisis was fueled by a $5 trillion Biden program—and maybe tossing in words like "socialism"—remember Sununu's true words. They disprove the politically exaggerated Republican campaign claims. Unfortunately, Sununu wasn't asked to elaborate on that.

So what is the most powerful force that is fueling our present inflation crisis? Sununu got into that, just a bit, too. "Europe is in worse shape than America is, for goodness' sake."

And that brings up the essential truth that what we are confronting today is primarily a global inflation that was not just fueled but fired up by the global supply chain shutdown during the worst of the worldwide pandemic. Unfortunately, Sununu wasn't asked to elaborate on that essential point either.

Also unfortunately, what has been missing in all this has been the visible showcasing of Biden working as a leader to reopen the global economy—and hopefully addressing those supply chain problems that fueled global inflation.

Meanwhile, the Biden White House has done a better job of visually showcasing the president's efforts on those very infrastructure projects Republicans criticize as "inflationary"—except, of course, when a project is in their state or district.

On Thursday, Biden went to Pittsburgh to celebrate the rebuilding with federal funds of the Fern Hollow Bridge that had collapsed in January—just hours before Biden was due to visit the city.

"It's being done in record time," Biden said. "It normally takes two to five years to build a bridge like this." Biden said he expects the new bridge will be finished "by Christmas, God willing. I'm coming back to walk across this sucker."

Perhaps the president will choose to make a symbolic event of that crossing. He could invite some of his Republican opponents to walk alongside him that day. And maybe he'll even try for one more infrastructure project—a win-win plan for both sides to deep-six their political games and try, just once, to build a bipartisan bridge to prosperity.

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In China, Xi Jinping is getting an unprecedented third term. What should the world expect?

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The 104-minute speech by Chinese President Xi Jinping at the country's 20th party congress reveals a leader who believes he is on a historic mission to save China's self-described socialism in the 21st century.

Xi's Oct. 16 speech launched the twice-a-decade meeting, which concludes this weekend, where the national Communist Party appoints its leadership and announces China's policy direction for the coming years. The address reads very much like a sequel to his previous one five years ago. At that time, Xi cryptically said China had entered a "new era" of socialism. This time, he characterized his aim as "building a modern socialist country," which the state media touted as the highlight of the speech. This statement clarifies his ambition to prove the superiority of socialism by 2049, with an implicit aim to surpass the U.S. by the centennial anniversary of the People's Republic of China's founding in 1949.

Xi is driven by the grand "Chinese dream," the "great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation" that he referenced in his 2017 and 2022 National Congress speeches. He appears to view himself as the sole individual who can achieve this dream in the 21st century, perhaps casting himself as a 21st century Mao Zedong. His plans—including "common prosperity" and "socialist modernization"—are long term and unlikely to shift even following the recent turmoil caused by COVID-19, China's harsh lockdowns in response and the resulting economic pains.

These ambitions are the same ones promoted by the Xi administration over the last decade. But by the end of this latest congress, Xi will have cemented an unprecedented third term as president, and he can now be more aggressive than before in their pursuit.

It follows then that U.S.-China relations are unlikely to improve in Xi's next term. He has shown, time and again, that he differs from his predecessors, except Mao, in that he does not shy away from conflict with the United States. Xi has felt comfortable declaring that "the East is rising while the West is declining" and positioning the U.S. as a challenge to overcome, rather than an obstacle to avoid, on the road to the Chinese dream.

On the other hand, China will probably strengthen ties with Russia, North Korea and other like-minded authoritarian nations, just as the U.S. is strengthening alliance networks in the region, including with Japan and South Korea. We are, as Henry Kissinger once said, in the "foothills of a Cold War."

The Taiwan Strait remains central to how quickly and drastically conflict could escalate. Xi's latest speech reiterated that China wanted to gain Taiwan peacefully but "will never promise to renounce the use of force, and we reserve the option of taking all measures necessary." He frames unification not as a choice but as a historical responsibility, which has been placed on his shoulders. Xi's direct mention of Taiwan unification at the party congress suggests that he will use that issue as a justification for his long-term reign.

One factor that will help determine the actual longevity of Xi's rule is whether meaningful protests against him will emerge. Xi's policies and crackdowns against dissent have yielded sporadic protests that made international headlines. In China, however, the threshold for revolution is quite high, creating major barriers to a regime change. A large dose of state-led nationalism and indoctrination convinces people that the U.S. in particular is determined to torpedo China's quest for modernity, creating an enemy to rally the country around.

China's economic challenges pose another hurdle for Xi's long-term agenda. The country's rigid zero-COVID policy has limited growth, and Xi has displayed a heavy-handed approach toward private businesses, dampening entrepreneurial spirit. If Chinese people come to think of Xi's anti-market tendency as the underlying problem, it will erode his authority.

To stave off such threats, Xi is likely to continue his iron-fist rule. He has purged enough rivals and earned enough grievances over the years that relaxing his power grip at this juncture will likely invite criticism, if not revenge, toward him. He is eager to turn China into a global power that will awe the West. As Xi put it at the 2017 party congress, China is increasingly taking "center stage in the world." With Xi still at the helm, we should expect a more aggressive China and increasing turbulence in the regional and global order.

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What Asian immigrants, seeking the American dream, found in Southern California suburbs

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For generations, suburban homeownership has symbolized American success—epitomizing the American dream, the myth of a universally achievable "good life." Over the last four decades, L.A. has been the promised land for Asian immigrants seeking this all-American lifestyle. The east San Gabriel Valley made some of these dreams a reality. How did this happen? How did Asians change—and cleave to—American suburbia?

L.A.'s rise from western outpost to global city took off in the 1920s. Buoyed by agriculture, then the defense, entertainment and hospitality industries and later trans-Pacific trade, L.A.'s economic growth led to rapid expansion that beckoned more residents. After the 1965 Hart-Celler Act relaxed immigration restrictions, American dream seekers included people from Hong Kong, Taiwan, South Korea and the Philippines, predominantly educated professionals fulfilling labor shortages throughout California.

Many middle- and upper-middle-class Asian immigrants looked to suburbia as the best place to raise a family. During the 1980s, 1990s and 2000s, these families were lured to the valley by newer housing that provided access to reputable schools. Builders in the east valley courted Asian residents and their buying power, in contrast to urban neighborhoods and inner-ring suburbs where real estate agents imposed formal and informal restrictions mostly to exclude Black and Latino residents during the early and mid-20th century.

Asian homebuyers were also drawn to what developers, homebuilders and sellers called "country living"—a design aesthetic and local culture inspired by romanticized, imagined histories of old California as rural, conservative and white.

Housing brochures and newspaper ads promised that country living shielded its residents from modern urban life. The subtext: These suburbs kept you away from the vice, crime and poverty associated with cities, which were facing the challenges of deindustrialization, cycles of white flight and gentrification as well as government disinvestment in the social safety net since the Cold War. While white families understood that country living was designed for them, many foreign-born Asian people also gravitated to this landscape. Homeownership in a desirable suburb afforded immigrants bragging rights as people who "made it" in America, seemingly granting a path to assimilation.

As Asian families built thriving communities in Diamond Bar, Walnut, Rowland Heights and Hacienda Heights, they had to balance maintaining their heritage with adapting to mainstream American and suburban norms. Many Asian residents thus performed the rituals expected of model suburbanites: They tended to family life, prayed and shopped.

On the whole, immigrants in these communities largely attempted to fit in. When they tried to establish even conservative or basic institutions reflecting their culture, the pushback—from white residents, but also from pro-assimilation Asian people—demonstrated the stubbornness of Southern California's suburban ideals.

Walnut especially illustrates how cultural pressures to assimilate originated both outside and within the Asian American community. Between 1980 and 1990, as Walnut's white population fell from 75% to 48% of its total, its Asian population rose from 10% to 35%. The latter group sought modest changes. Take, for instance, St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic Church.

In 1992, church leaders and an architect approached Walnut's planning commission and city council with blueprints to build a freestanding parish with a growing Filipino congregation. Walnut officials claimed St. Lorenzo's design clashed with the suburb's rural aesthetic, calling it "too ultramodern." Others chided the height of the proposed cross claiming it suggested Catholicism reigned over Protestantism. Witnesses of these debates, including St. Lorenzo's Filipino congregation, realized the criticism was less about the building plan and more about opponents' fears that the church would mark Walnut as an Asian community.

The anti-Asian sentiment here was mostly covert, though some white critics specifically argued that the church stymied Filipinos' abilities to assimilate because it was named after the first Filipino saint. But the message was clear: St. Lorenzo's sizable Filipino congregation made an otherwise typical suburban space—a Christian church—transgressive and inappropriate for country living. It took years of disputes (and fatigue between parties) before the parish opened in 1995.

But white residents' criticisms and fears of how Asian people occupied suburbia were echoed by affluent Asian residents too. In the mid-1990s, the Taiwanese grocery chain 99 Ranch Market—which launched in Southern California—wanted to open a Walnut location. City leaders assumed Chinese homeowners would welcome the plan. The opposite occurred. Joining white naysayers, Chinese suburbanites protested the grocery chain, citing concerns over traffic and safety. In other words, critics stereotypically equated Asian retail hubs with density and disorder. They also considered Chinese stores déclassé—a threat to property values and to the image of suburbia.

While many immigrants believed a local 99 Ranch would be convenient, they feared Walnut would become "the next Monterey Park"—in their eyes a cautionary tale of a bedroom community turned suburban Chinatown. A loose alliance of white and Asian homeowners ensured 99 Ranch never came to Walnut. These Asian suburbanites' fight to preserve country living's Anglocentric milieu bolstered their claims of assimilation.

The east San Gabriel Valley of today is radically different from 40 years ago. Suburbs with modest Asian populations in the 1980s had Asian majorities by the new century. Asian grocery stores, boba shops and other businesses eventually established a presence in these communities.

Yet while the demographics have transformed, other characteristics of country living suburbia have barely changed—from its largely right-leaning voter base to the bustling strip malls still ironically upholding the region's "rural" character. Many east valley residents across racial lines, like suburbanites across America, continue to promote static ideas of how a suburb should look and feel.

All of this is a reminder that changing racial demographics can't tell you exactly how a place will or won't evolve. It depends on how willing and able new residents are to challenge that place's long-held myths.

The Weather

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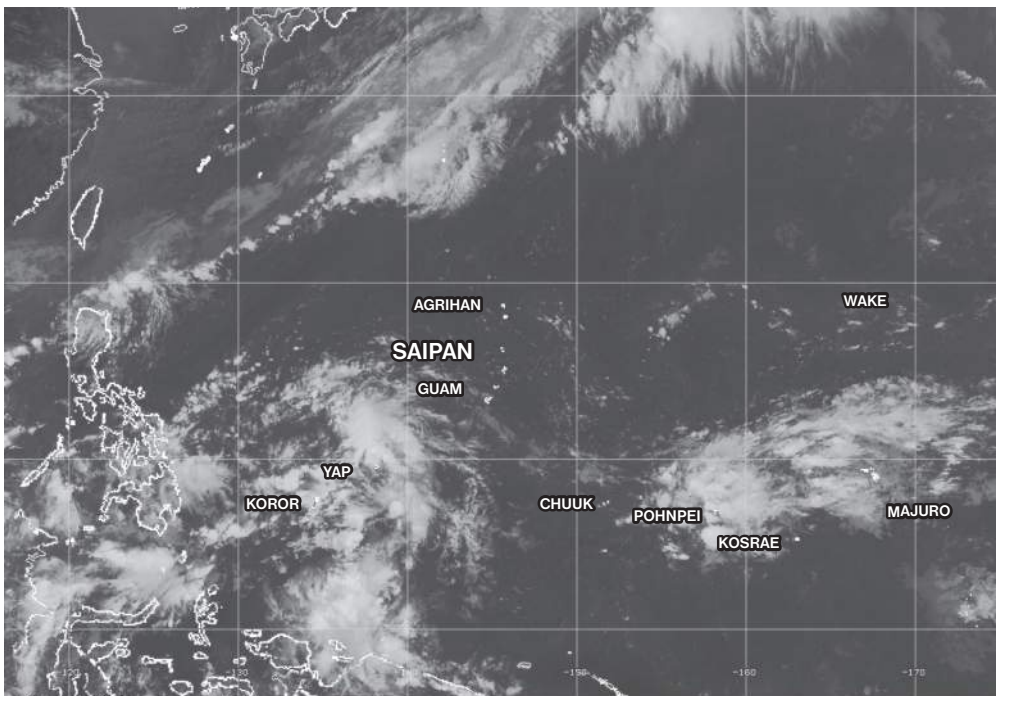

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Los Angeles	Sunny	76° / 54°
Manila	Thunderstorms	91° / 77°
Melbourne	Light Rain	70° / 58°
Miami	Partly Cloudy	83° / 75°
New York	Showers	62° / 61°
Osaka	Mostly Sunny	67° / 50°
Paris	Partly Cloudy	68° / 58°
Busan	Mostly Sunny	66° / 53°
Rome	Mostly Sunny	79° / 60°
Salem	Thunderstorms	81° / 70°
San Francisco	Mostly Sunny	67° / 58°
Seoul	Sunny	63° / 41°
Tokyo	Showers	56° / 50°
Washington, DC	Cloudy	66° / 57°

TIDES: SAIPAN HARBOR TODAY		FEET
1:21 AM	Low Tide	0.16
7:32 AM	High Tide	1.80
1:27 PM	Low Tide	0.61
7:11 PM	High Tide	1.90

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DEPARTURES

SAIPAN-GUAM (GUM)

UA117	9:50AM	10:30AM	Daily
UA156	6:30PM	7:15PM	6

GUAM-MANILA (MNL)

PR 111	6:00AM	8:00AM	Daily
UA193	7:05PM	10:55PM	5 via Palau
UA183	7:20PM	9:10PM	Daily

SAIPAN-MANILA (MNL)

UA117/183	9:50AM	9:10PM	Daily via Guam
UA117/193	9:50AM	10:55PM	5 via Guam, Palau
OZ624/701	4:00PM	11:05AM+1	3,6 via Incheon

SAIPAN-INCHEON (ICN)

TW308	3:30PM	7:20PM	3, 4, 6, 7
7C3405	3:30PM	7:25PM	6
7C3405	3:50PM	7:45PM	3, 4, 7
OZ624	4:00PM	7:40PM	3, 6

SAIPAN-NARITA

UA824	7:00AM	9:30AM	1, 3, 5

SAIPAN-BUSAN (PUS)

7C3451	3:00PM	6:35PM	3, 7

ARRIVALS

GUAM (GUM)-SAIPAN

UA174	8:00AM	8:45AM	Daily
UA112	4:40PM	5:30PM	6

MANILA (MNL)-GUAM

PR110	10:00PM	4:00AM+1	Daily
UA184	10:25PM	4:25AM+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7
UA192	10:25PM	6:15AM+1	5 via Palau
UA184	11:50PM	5:40AM+1	5

MANILA (MNL)-SAIPAN

UA184/174	10:25PM	8:45AM+1	1,2,3, 4, 6,7 via Guam
UA192/174	10:25PM	8:45AM+1	5 via Palau, Guam
UA192/112	10:25PM	5:30pm+1	5 via Palau, Guam
UA184/174	11:50PM	8:45AM+1	5 via Guam
UA184/112	11:50PM	5:30pm+1	5 via Guam
OZ704/623	11:55PM	2:30PM+1	2,5 via Incheon

INCHEON (ICN)-SAIPAN

7C3406	8:30AM	2:10PM	6
7C3406	8:50AM	2:30PM	4
7C3406	8:50AM	2:50PM	3, 7
OZ623	9:00AM	2:30PM	3, 6
TW307	9:00AM	2:30PM	4, 6, 7
TW307	9:15AM	2:30PM	3

NARITA-SAIPAN

UA825	9:25PM	2:00 AM+1	2, 4, 7

BUSAN (PUS)-SAIPAN

7C3452	9:00AM	2:00PM	3, 7

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INITIAL DAILY FLIGHT SCHEDULE AS OF AUGUST 18, 2022

SAIPAN TO TINIAN

DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
7:00 A.M.	7:15 A.M.	(Except Sundays)
9:50 A.M.	10:05 A.M.	
4:00 P.M.	4:15 P.M.	(Except Saturdays)

TINIAN TO SAIPAN

DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
7:35 A.M.	7:50 A.M.	(Except Sundays)
10:25 A.M.	10:40 A.M.	
4:35 P.M.	4:50 P.M.	(Except Saturdays)

SAIPAN TO ROTA

DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
8:10 A.M.	8:40 A.M.	
1:45 P.M.	2:15 P.M.	

ROTA TO SAIPAN

DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
9:00 A.M.	9:30 A.M.	
2:35 P.M.	3:05 P.M.	

SAIPAN TO GUAM

DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
11:10 A.M.	12:00 P.M.	
5:15 P.M.	6:05 P.M.	

GUAM TO SAIPAN

DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
12:30 P.M.	1:20 P.M.	
6:40 P.M.	7:30 P.M.	

STAR MARIANAS AIR, INC.

FLIGHT SCHEDULE AS OF JUNE 1, 2022

SAIPAN TO ROTA

FLIGHT #	DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
1301	8:30	9:00	Daily
1302	11:00	11:30	Mon/Wed/Fri
1302	12:00	12:30	Tues/Thurs/Sat/Sun
1303	15:30	16:00	Daily

ROTA TO SAIPAN

FLIGHT #	DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
3101	9:30	10:00	Daily
3102	13:00	13:30	Tues/Thurs/Sat/Sun
3102	14:00	14:30	Mon/Wed/Fri
3103	16:30	17:00	Daily

ROTA TO GUAM

LIGHT #	DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
3401	12:00	12:30	Mon/Wed/Fri

GUAM TO ROTA

FLIGHT #	DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
4301	13:00	13:30	Mon/Wed/Fri

SAIPAN TO TINIAN

FLIGHT #	DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
1202	8:00	8:15	Daily
1203	9:00	9:15	Daily
1204	10:00	10:15	Daily
1208	14:00	14:15	Daily
1209	15:00	15:15	Daily
1210	16:00	16:15	Daily
1211	17:00	17:15	Daily

TINIAN TO SAIPAN

FLIGHT #	DEPARTS	ARRIVES	FREQUENCY
2102	8:30	8:45	Daily
2103	9:30	9:45	Daily
2104	10:30	10:45	Daily
2108	14:30	14:45	Daily
2109	15:30	15:45	Daily
2110	16:30	16:45	Daily
2111	17:30	17:45	Daily

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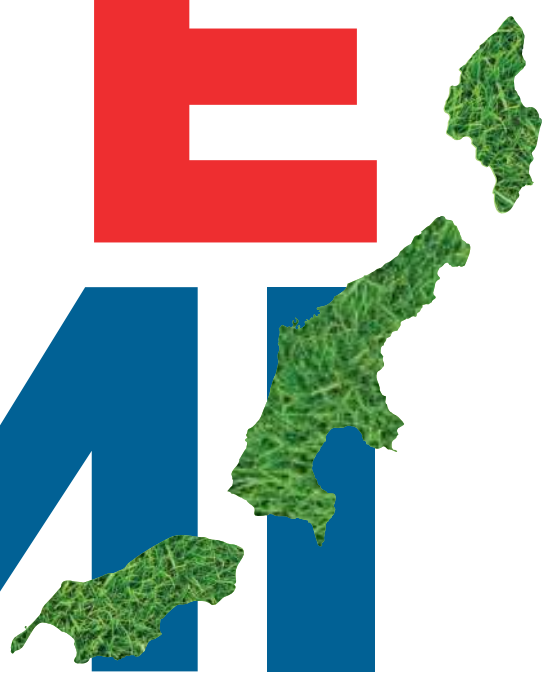

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PLEASE VOTE FOR CHRISTINA SABLAN & LEILA FLEMING STAFFLER ON NOV 8, 2022

MORE HELP FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

Kilili: Plan now to file for Earned Income Tax Credit

Income tax filers in the Marianas will be eligible to receive the Earned Income Tax Credit when they file their CNMI 1040 for 2021 in the coming weeks. The maximum credit for 2021 is $6,728.

include full and permanent federal funding for the credit in the American Rescue Plan Act last year, a legislative goal he first set in 2015 with the introduction of H.R. 439. Rep. Tina E. Sablan (Saipan) completed the

Kilili C. ... on Page

'Marianas businesses got $40M in forgivable loans to weather pandemic'

By FERDIE DE LA TORRE
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REPORTER

Sablan

ated the PPP loans to assist small businesses weather the pandemic, as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, which passed the U.S. House of Representatives in July 2019 and was subsequently signed into

were larger than $150,000.

The PPP lenders were First Hawaiian Bank, with 268 loan applicants; Bank of Guam, 129; Bank of Hawaii, 83; and Cross River Bank, two.

Kilili bill seeks to allow NMI to apply for child welfare court improvement grants

Sablan

Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (Ind-MP) introduced Friday a bill that would provide more funding for CNMI courts to ensure the welfare of children in foster care and adoption proceedings.

Sablan disclosed in his e-kilili news-

He said the Marianas is currently the only U.S. jurisdiction not able to apply for child welfare court improvement grants under the Social Security Act.

Sablan said his legislation was developed in consultation with the Commonwealth Judiciary.

US House OKs Kilili requests for $25.5M for 12 projects

By FERDIE DE LA TORRE
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REPORTER

The U.S. House of Representatives approved Wednesday the requests of Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (D-MP)

Office of Transit Authority would receive $8.4 million for three transit projects.

He said the Agriculture-Rural Development appropriation includes four of his requests worth $6.2 million to support public li-

- $2 million Saipan Route 32 Improvements.
- $4 million Saipan Route 36 Phase 1 Construction.
- The COTA three transit projects are:
- $4.5 million 187 bus stop

Kilili: Most qualify for $1,400 rebates

blan said single tax filers with incomes of up to $75,000, head of household filers with incomes up to $112,500, and joint filers

tion of dependent has been expanded to include students over age 17, elderly adults, and disabled

PSS receives $160 million from American Rescue Plan

This Feb. 23, 2021, file photo shows Board of Education chair Andrew L. Orsini, second from ... Education Commissioner Dr. Alfred B. Ada, rightmost, and PSS Federal Programs ... meeting with Delegate Gregorio Kilili C.

Board of Education chair Andrew L. Orsini thanked Delegate Gregorio C. Kilili Sablan (Ind-MP) yesterday for his efforts in helping the Public School System secure a $160-million grant included in the American Rescue Plan.

The U.S. Department ...

» BOE chair Orsini, Education Commissioner Ada thank Kilili

is the third time this year that Sablan has responded to PSS'

grant that PSS received in May of last year and the second being the $61 million received in January this year. Ada said these three Education Stabilization Fund grants guarantees that all teachers and PSS sup-

Kilili says 384 claims for PUA, PFUC are still pending

» As of Dec. 4, 2021, $260.8M in PUA/PFUC given to CNMI workers

By FERDIE DE LA TORRE

Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (Ind-MP) said over the weekend that there are still 384 claims for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance, and Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation pending.

In his e-kilili newsletter, Sablan said the U.S. Labor Department had reported to the congressional office this week that a total of 16,788 applications have already received assistance since the PUA and PFUC programs began in June 2020.

He said that, according to U.S. Labor, total aid to Mar...

is $260,885,306—an average of $15,540 per eligible applicant.

Last week, CNMI Labor Secretary Vicky Be...

June 2022, and any unspent funds under the program will be returned to U.S. Labor after.

Sablan said when the U.S. Congress created PUA and PFUC to supplement state unem-

Kilili's request for 10 more community projects worth $20.6M is approved

The House of Representatives' Appropriations Com... 10 more projects Del... C. Sa...

the funding would go to CUC to provide a comprehensive wastewater treatment analysis and feasibility study for Tinian and Rota.

All three bills now go to the

Kilili: Full-time Vet Center counselor will soon be assigned to Marianas

By FERDIE DE LA TORRE
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REPORTER

Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (Ind-MP) said over the weekend that a full-time Vet Center coun... assig... Sa... news... eberm...

to help them and their families readjust to civilian life and provide mental health services," he said.

Sablan's bill expands ...

approval in April of Commonwealth's plan to provide P-EBT benefits through June 2021.

He said P-EBT ...

'FEMA to help with funeral costs due to COVID-19 deaths'

By FERDIE DE LA TORRE
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REPORTER

Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (Ind-MP) said over the weekend that the Federal Emergency Management Assistance will help with funeral expenses due to COVID-19 deaths by April 12, 2021.

In his e-kilili newsletter, Sablan said FEMA announced last Saturday that such assistance is available for

AT A GLANCE
As of 5pm, April 4, 2021

GUAM	OLD	NEW	TOTAL
Positive	7,810	6	7,816
Recovered	7,640	0	7,640
Active	25	6	31
Deaths	134	0	135
Cumulative Number of Persons Tested			145,452

Kilili to testify on lifting Medicaid caps

WASHINGTON, D.C.— Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (Ind-MP) will testify today on the need to provide more funding for the Mari-

If the cap goes back into effect on Oct. 1, Medicaid funding for the Marianas will drop from $62.3 million in this fiscal year to $7.2 mill...

Kilili pushes to bring Marianas into Medicaid

Delegate Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan (Ind-MP) is leading ... a request from all the ... representatives ... Pr...

funding to bring the Marianas into Medicaid.

such Medicaid funding in his fiscal year 2022 budget proposal, expected in May.

the cap on Medicaid funding for the insular areas and putting the CNMI on a transition to full inclusion in this federal health insurance

The delegate said he introduced legislation authorizing the first step: lifting the Medicaid cap. He said the legislation, H.R. 264, ab... ready has 60 co-sponsors.

Kilili urges youth to register for Congressional Award program

Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (Ind-MP) is inviting people between the ages of 13 ½ and 23 to register for the Congressional Award program.

The Congressional Award is the highest award that students can receive from Congress.

"This award is not a competition, but a journey [toward] self-improvement. Any young person in the Marianas that has the ... mination to ... in the ...

velopment, voluntary service, physical fitness, and exploration can earn the Congressional Award," said Sablan in a Facebook post.

To help potential applicants get started, Sablan's congressional office will host two virtual sessions on Feb. 25, 2021, and march 4, 2021.

The Feb. 25 session will be tailored to current

goals during the pandemic.

The March 4 session will provide an overview of the program for new and prospective participants. District staff will walk students through the four program areas, award tiers, registering for the program, and logging your activities.

To learn more about the Congressional Award or to

Kilili

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Editor's Note

Every four years, one of the most exciting political events in the CNMI happens: the general elections, which is when the CNMI electorate chooses a whole slew of political and nonpartisan officials, from the gubernatorial and lieutenant gubernatorial post, right down to the attorney general, legislative members, island mayors, the municipal council and Board of Education members, and as well as the retention bids of judicial officials.

That exciting event happens this year, on Nov. 8, 2022, to be exact. As of the September deadline, there was an overall total of 19,272 voters in the CNMI, surpassing the 18,914 that was recorded during the 2018 elections and assuring that this Nov. 8 general elections will have the highest number of registered voters in the Commonwealth's history. And with general elections being known for having record voter turnouts, it would be safe to assume that this year's election will be no exception.

This comes on the heels of a two-year pandemic that has hammered the CNMI—and world—economy, a severe downturn in the CNMI's main economic engine driver, which is tourism, and a flood of federal assistance that hopefully kept everyone on an even footing even as the rest of the world was teetering on the brink of collapse. That is not even taking into consideration that the CNMI is still pretty much in the middle of getting back to its feet after the devastation of two super typhoons, with many buildings still waiting to be rebuilt and the Northern Marianas College still holding some classes in tents. Even now, some Public School System campus buildings still lie in ruins and are still waiting to be demolished and restored. That means this election is coming on the heels of some of the most earthshaking events in CNMI history and the electoral decisions that will be made this Nov. 8 will have repercussions not just on the makeup of the CNMI's leadership in the next four years but will also have a profound effect on the Commonwealth and its economic trajectory in the years ahead.

This supplement is, therefore, intended to give our voters a look at some of this election's candidates in a bid to give them more insights into the people they would most likely support this election, while also enabling these candidates a chance to reach out to the electorate and convince them of their fitness for the job. We hope this supplement will allow us to meet that goal.

We tried to create a uniform pattern for the candidates' responses and format the questions in a way that would generate responses that were as brief as possible, but some candidates did go outside our standard formatting and we allowed it in many cases if they feel their message will be clearer in that manner. Also, we followed the arrangement as provided by the Commonwealth Election Commission to avoid any appearance of partiality.

Jayvee Vallejera
Editor, Saipan Tribune

RALPH DLG TORRES/ VINNIE VINSON FLORES SABLAN

NMI Republican Party

RALPH DLG TORRES

Position sought: Governor
Party: Republican Party
Highest educational attainment: Bachelor of Science in Political Science from Boise State University

Work background relevant to public service:
- Governor
- Lieutenant Governor
- President, Senate
- Senator, Senate
- Representative, House of Representatives

Top Three Advocacies:

OPPORTUNITY: Providing opportunities for our community through providing more high-paying jobs, improving health outcomes, ensuring equitable access to sustained economic growth and protection of our environment.

SUPPORT EDUCATION: Sustain investment in a solid education, facilities and technology in our public school system, higher education, career and technical or trade education programs.

DIVERSIFY THE ECONOMY AND BUILD A GLOBALLY COMPETITIVE CNMI by providing the incentives necessary to secure greater investments in the CNMI, safeguarding our limited public lands, and marketing the islands to investors.

VINNIE VINSON FLORES SABLAN

Position sought: Lieutenant governor
Party: Republican Party
Highest educational attainment: Associate degree in Business Administration & Computer Applications, Northern Marianas College; Bachelor of Science degree in Management, University of Phoenix

Community involvements:
- Tanapag Elementary School, PTSA president
- Tanapag Headstart Center, CPIC president & member
- CNMI Headstart: Head Start Policy Council chairperson
- Talaabwogh StaR Association, vice president
- Marianas March Against Cancer team captain (Team Talaabwogh StaR)
- Saipan Little League Baseball Inc., board member and NSA T-Ball team manager
- Crime Stoppers Inc. Annual Softball Tournament coordinator
- Co-promoter, American Bully Dog Show (promoting responsible dog ownership).

Career:
- Commonwealth Utilities Corp. laboratory technician (2000-2007)
- Wells Fargo credit manager (2007-2008)
- Commonwealth Utilities Corp. laboratory specialist (2008-2011)
- Northern Marianas College, Adult Basic Education adjunct instructor (2011-2013)
- Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality, laboratory manager (2011-2014)

Public service:
- 19th Legislature - House of Representatives (2015-2017)
- 20th Legislature - House of Representatives (2017-2019)
- 21st Legislature - Senate (2019-2021)
- Chairman, Senate Committee on Public Utilities, Transportation & Communications (2019-2020)
- Chairman, Senate Committee on Cannabis & Gaming (2020-2021)
- Member, Association of Pacific Islands Legislatures (2019-present)
- 22nd Legislature - Senate floor leader (2021-present)
- Chairman, Senate Committee on Rules and Procedure (2021-present)
- Chairman, Senate Committee on Public Utilities, Transportation & Communications (2021-present)
- Chairman, Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation (2021-present)

Top three advocacies:
1. Building and stabilizing our economy
2. Ensuring everyone has access to quality education
3. Sustaining a healthy environment and healthcare system

CHRISTINA "TINA" SABLAN/ LEILA HAVEIA FLEMING STAFFLER

NMI Democratic Party

CHRISTINA "TINA" SABLAN

ition sought: Governor
Party: Democratic Party
Highest educational attainment: Master's Degree in Urban and Regional Planning from University of Hawaii at Manoa (2016)

Background relevant to public office:
Member, House of Representatives (2008-2010, 2018-present; currently chair of the Health and Welfare Committee)

- Member, Small Communities Advisory Subcommittee/Local Governments Advisory Committee, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2021-present, representing U.S. territories)
- National Committeewoman, NMI Democratic Party (2020-present)
- Deputy Communications Director/Outreach Coordinator, Office of U.S. Delegate Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan (2015-2019)
- Other work experience: News reporter/anchor, KSPN2 (2011-2013); program manager, Commonwealth Cancer Association (2010-2012); Environmental Specialist/Waste Reduction & Recycling Coordinator, Division of Environmental Quality (2004-2007)

Top three advocacies:

- 1. Health
- 2. Infrastructure
- 3. Fiscal responsibility

LEILA HAVEIA FLEMING STAFFLER

Position sought: Lieutenant governor
Party: Democratic Party
Highest educational at tainment: Educational Leadership and Education from Western Governors University.

Background relevant to public office:

- Member, House of Representatives (2020-present, currently chair of the Education Committee)
- High School administrator (2010-2020)
- Disabilities advocate and volunteer (2012 - present)
- PTSA leader (2011-present)
- Community organizer (2008-present)

Top three advocacies:

- Education
- Workforce development
- Disability services

Hafa Adai Tiroow,

As a proud resident of our Precinct 4 community, I have always sought ways to make our home a better place for the future. Over the years, I have worked on various civic and other projects in our community. I have made significant engagements and collaborations with community partners and government agencies that have helped us overcome many challenges and issues that have benefited us all as a whole.

To rise above the challenges happening in our homes, requires strong leadership willing to work together with all levels of government to get things done to provide for our people.

I am ready, willing, and able to serve you in the House of Representatives. I pledge to approach the issues ahead with common sense and compassion, and I will work tirelessly to continue to keep our community the safe and vibrant place that we all know and love for our people.

We have all shared in the hardships of the Pandemic these past years. In this 2022 election, times have changed, and we need real leadership who will stand up for you. I humbly ask for your vote of confidence to give me the opportunity to represent you in the people's house. God Bless you all and God bless our great Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Thank you, Si Yu'us Ma'ase, and Ghillisow

AUBRY MANGLONA HOCOG

Position sought: Mayor of Rota
Party: NMI Republican Party
Highest educational attainment:

■ Master of Arts in Public Administration
■ Master of Arts in Education
■ Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

Work background relevant to public office:

■ Currently serving as Special Assistant for Programs and Grants under the Office of the Municipality of Rota.
■ Present chairwoman for the board of directors for the Commonwealth Economic Development Authority.
■ Former chairwoman and member for the board of directors for the Northern Marianas Housing Corp.
■ Commissioner for the First Senatorial District, 2nd Marianas Political Status Commission

Top three advocacies:

■ **Economy** (promoting partnerships with Guam and private/public sectors and the encouragement of local entrepreneurs)
■ **Industry** (business, agriculture, trades, fishing)
■ **Empowering people** (youth programs, employee trainings, promoting higher education and certification to build professional capacity)

JOSEPH LEE PAN TENORIO GUERRERO

Position sought: Mayor of Saipan
Party: CNMI Republican Party
Highest educational attainment:

■ Golden Gate University, San Francisco 197501978
■ University of Phoenix Online, 2003-2004

Work background relevant to public office:

■ Precinct 1 representative, CNMI Legislature - January 2015 - present
■ Chief of Parole - January 2006 - 2015
■ Parole Officer II, October 2000-Januar 2006
■ Parole Officer I, October 1998-October 2000
■ Researcher, CNMI Board of Parole, February 1996 -September 1998

Message:

An individual's right to vote provides them with the opportunity to have their voices heard, it took years of protesting and fighting to obtain the right to vote for everyone. It is important that you exercise your right and assert your power because voting is more than simply selecting a candidate. It is about choosing policies and individuals that will serve your best interests when making decisions that will have an impact on your community.

For the past six years, as a representative, I have focused on making decisions that serve the best interests of not only the people in Precinct 1 but also those in the entire CNMI.

When we take pride in our community and ensure that it is well maintained and developed, we ensure that we guarantee that not only our people remain safe and healthy, but that we maintain the momentum of attracting visitors to return and boost our economy, for which we rely heavily upon.

I am Joseph Lee Pan Tenorio Guerrero, and I request that you exercise your right to vote this November, since your voice is significant in our democracy. It is extremely important that you do not permit confusion regarding voting to prevent you from exercising your right to vote. In this election, I humbly ask for your vote of confidence to vote No. 1 on the ballot for Lee Pan as your mayoral candidate. It is my commitment to the people of the CNMI that everything I do will be in their best interest.

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CAMACHO

DIEGO VINCENT FEJERAN

#4 ON THE BALLOT

PLEASE VOTE • HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES • PRECINCT I

Hafa Adai yan Tirow, families, friends, and residents of Precinct One!
I am Diego Vincent Fejeran Camacho, born and raised on the island of Saipan, and a lifelong resident of Precinct One. After many discussions and much encouragement from family and friends, I have decided to run for the seat in the House of Representatives as a Democrat. I assure you, if elected; I will represent you with transparency, integrity, and fairness, and will make the best decisions that ultimately benefit our people. I have met with many of you and I understand the challenges we face and the struggles of everyday working people. We need an open and honest government that listens to the will of the people and one that will safeguard our resources while prioritizing essential public services. I belong to no circle, no elite or special interest group, but rather, an ordinary citizen in pursuit of good governance and trusted leadership. I look forward to a positive and productive campaign to earn your trust, support, and vote of confidence this November.

This November, I humbly ask for your vote of CONFIDENCE, your vote of TRUST, and your Vote for a better FUTURE!

Please Vote Democrat!

Si Yu'us Ma'ase, Ghillisow, Thank You!

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DENNIS JAMES C. MENDIOLA

Position sought: Senator

Party: NMI Republican Party

Highest educational attainment:

■ Master of Public Administration, Disaster Management, American Military University

■ Current: Bachelor of Science, Public Administration, University of Guam; Minor Military Science (Leadership)

Experience

■ Special Assistant, Homeland Security & Emergency Management

■ Disaster readiness- MOC

■ Post COVID-19 community outreach

■ Organizational restructuring to improve efficiency and service levels

■ Renovation of the Emergency Operations Center and administrative offices

■ Commissioner, Department of Fire & Emergency Medical Services

■ Expanded Rota Fire Station 9 to include apparatus bay

■ Secured 215 fire suppression gear, 35 for Rota

■ Established Command & Control (C2)

■ Built the department's manning roster from 120 to 180

■ Graduated 32 additional firefighters

■ Restructured the department to promote efficiency and accountability

■ Acquired and renovated four additional buildings for administrative and operational staff

■ Increased the department's budget by over 62% from $3.9 million to over $6.3 million

■ Secured 25 additional vehicles: Quick Response Vehicles, Trucks, and Fire Suppression Vehicles

■ Resident Deputy Commissioner, DFEMS Rota

■ Increased manning roster from 5 to 33 firefighters

■ Completed the renovation of Station 8 and 9

■ Increased the department's budget by over 318% from $287,000 to over $1.2 million

■ Acquired new ambulances for the department

■ Acting Company Commander, U.S. Army, Camp Stanley, Korea

■ Trained and developed 127 soldiers assigned under 61st Company in preparation for war time operation, to support and protect parallel units from chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear attacks.

Marketing coordinator/salesman, Ambros Inc., Guam

■ Consistently hit and exceeded company sales goals

■ Developed and maintained long-term relationships with potential clients and customers to identify their needs and challenges

Military service

■ Captain, U.S. Army, retired

Focus areas

■ **Ports of Entry** - Port development and productivity play a crucial role in economic development and regional connectivity. My goal is to unlock the capacity restraints at our ports and establish subsidies that will allow access to much needed materials at lower costs. Additionally, supporting CPA will expand our airport capabilities to allow for direct flights to increase the tourism market.

■ **Eco Tourism -** Protect the natural beauty of Rota by enforcing sustainable eco-tourism. Focus on eco-tours that highlight the island's people and culture, untouched jungles, pristine waters, and wildlife. Rota is perfectly positioned to offer our visitors a world-class eco-tour experience where the main focus will emphasize small businesses such as AirBnB, safari, water sports, etc.

■ **Medical Referral -** Invest in our existing infrastructure and revitalize the Rota referral building on Navy Hill. This will cut long-term hotel rental costs and allow for additional patient subsidies for those seeking care n Saipan or elsewhere.

■ **Agriculture Education -** Invest in the teaching of agriculture, natural resources, and land management to allow for business growth in the agricultural sector. Additionally, my goal is to secure grants for farmers and students and work in collaboration with NMTech to establish trades in agriculture.

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■ **Retirement Pension** - Defend the 25% pension benefit of the retirees to ensure continuity and provide bonuses upon the availability of funds.

ANGEL ALDAN DEMAPAN

Position sought: Senator
Party: Republican Party of the NMI

Work background relevant to public office:
■ Member, 22nd House of Representatives
❑ House Minority Leader
■ Member, 20th House of Representatives
❑ Chairman, Ways & Means
❑ Chairman, SNILD Ways & Means
■ Member, 19th House of Representatives
❑ Chairman, Federal & Foreign Affairs
❑ Floor leader, Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation
❑ Member, CNMI 902 panel
■ Veteran, U.S. Army National Guard
■ Member, 1st, 2nd and 3rd CNMI Youth Congress
❑ Speaker, two terms

Top three advocacies:
■ **Economy.** Restoring our economic footing post-pandemic remains a high priority. I have introduced House Bill 22-21, enacted as Public Law 22-01, the Commonwealth Economic Development Authority Act, and House Bill 22-70, the Investment Incentive Act of 2021. These bills provide the tools and resources necessary to expand economic development in the Marianas and create more opportunities for our people.
■ **Education.** Every student should be afforded the opportunity to reach their full potential. Our schools need to be given the resources to hire and keep qualified teachers. In turn, we must work to provide our teachers with the tools required to truly put the needs of our students first. My track record reflects my commitment to investing millions upon millions of dollars in our education system.
■ **Healthcare.** Every person should be afforded the opportunity to avail of healthcare services and coverage. Our investment in healthcare should shift from dependence on medical referral to building our own capacity right here at home, in the Marianas. My record of legislations also demonstrates my commitment to providing millions of dollars in appropriations to the Commonwealth Healthcare Corp.

DIEGO VINCENT FEJERAN CAMACHO

Position sought: House of Representatives, Precinct 1
Party: NMI Democratic Party

Experience:
■ 2005-2010: Lufthansa Service Group
■ 2010-2015: PSS Head Start Program
■ 2015-Present: CNMI Legislature, chief of staff, Office of Rep. Edwin K. Propst

Goals and objectives:
■ To ensure that all public funds are used for public purposes.
■ To ensure a level playing field for employment and government contractual opportunities.
■ To work diligently in exploring funding for much needed Infrastructure improvements in our precinct and for our islands.
■ Support and work with the Commonwealth Economic Development Authority to explore meaningful and feasible investment in our islands' economy.
■ Support and properly fund the Marianas Visitors Authority, a true Investment, to jumpstart our once thriving tourism industry.
■ To advocate for the preservation and protection of our indigenous cultural practices and to defend any attempt to amend Article 12.
■ To support any effort in the exploration and/or implementation of alternative energy to reduce the high cost of electricity.
■ To support, maintain and increase funding to our school system, trades school, and college so that our students receive the best education possible.
■ Support and explore funding opportunities to assist our local farmers and ranchers so that we can achieve self-sustainability through agriculture.

Message
Hafa adai yan Tirow, families, friends, and residents of Precint 1: I am Diego Vincent Fejeran Camacho, born and raised on the island of Saipan and a lifelong resident of Precinct 1. After many discussions and much encouragement from family and friends, I have decided to run for a seat in the House of Representatives as a Democrat. I assure you, if elected, I will represent you with transparency, integrity, and fairness, and will make the best decisions that ultimately benefit our people. I have met with many of you and I understand the challenges we face and the struggles of everyday working people. We need an open and honest government that listens to the will of the people and one that will safeguard our resources while prioritizing essential public services. I belong to no circle, no elite or special interest group, but rather an ordinary citizen in pursuit of good governance and trusted leadership. I look forward to a positive and productive campaign to earn your trust, support, and vote of confidence this November. *Si yu'us ma'ase, ghilisow* and Thank You!

EDWIN KENNETH PROPST

Position sought: House of Representatives, Precinct 1
Party: NMI Democrat Party

Highest educational attainment: Bachelor's degree in Communication, University of Hawaii at Manoa

Background relevant to public office:
■ CNMI Head Start Program Manager, 2009 to 2014;
■ Northern Marianas College Student Activities Director, 2002 to 2006;
■ Marianas High School teacher, 1999 to 2002.

Top three advocacies
■ A fiscally conservative government, one that stops spending money like it grows on tangan tangan.
■ A corrupt-free government, one that is free from cronyism and nepotism.
■ Affordable power for our people through real renewable and alternative energy that fits our needs.

LAUREN YVONNE SONIS PANGELINAN

Position sought: House of Representative, Precinct 3
Party: Democratic Party

Highest educational attainment: BA in International Affairs with an Emphasis in Business Management and Economics

Work background relevant to public office: I own and manage a small business providing a variety of health-related products based on person-to-person sales. I double-hatted as outreach educator for Research Center University of Hawaii and as an outreach coordinator for the College of Micronesia. I supported efforts to improve health outcomes for children for RCUH, and coordinate and connect medical professionals with the Chuuk Hospital through COM. As an entrepreneur and community advocate, I served as president of the Rotary Club of Truk Lagoon, as secretary of the Chuuk Lagoon Chamber of Commerce, member of the FSM Na-

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COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
November 8, 2022 General Election Precinct No. 1 1A

SPECIMEN

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GOVERNOR/ LT. GOVERNOR
Vote for No More Than One (1)

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- 2 PALACIOS, Arnold Indalecio APATANG, David Mundo (INDEPENDENT)
- 3 TORRES, Ralph Anthony Deleon Guerrero SABLAN, Vinnie Vinson Flores (REPUBLICAN)

ATTORNEY GENERAL
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 MANIBUSAN, Edward Eladio
- 2 LIZAMA, Juan Tudela

DELEGATE TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 SABLAN, Gregorio Kilili Camacho (DEMOCRAT)

SENATE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

- 1 MAGOFNA, Corina Lorraine (INDEPENDENT)
- 2 BABAUTA, Celina Roberto (DEMOCRAT)
- 3 MARATITA, Janet Ulloa (REPUBLICAN)
- 4 DEMAPAN, Angel Aldan (REPUBLICAN)
- 5 SALAS, Andrew Sablan (INDEPENDENT)

MAYOR OF SAIPAN
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 GUERRERO, Joseph Leepan Tenorio (REPUBLICAN)
- 2 LIZAMA, Richard Tudela (DEMOCRAT)
- 3 CAMACHO, Ramon "RB" Jose Blas (INDEPENDENT)

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Vote for No More Than Three (3)

- 1 MENDIOLA, Joseph Muna
- 2 PANGELINAN, Carmen Cabrera
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- 5 HOFSCHNEIDER, Liana Sablan
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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 ORSINI, Andrew Lujan
- 2 HARRELL, Robert Charles

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
Vote for No More Than Six (6)

- 1 ANGEL, Frankie Fernando (REPUBLICAN)
- 2 REYES, Arlene Marie Mendiola (REPUBLICAN)
- 3 ALDAN, Vincent Raymond Seman (INDEPENDENT)
- 4 CAMACHO, Diego Vincent Fejeran (DEMOCRAT)
- 5 CEPEDA, Patrick Matagolai (REPUBLICAN)
- 6 PROPST, Edwin Kenneth (DEMOCRAT)
- 7 PALACIOS, Raymond Ulloa (INDEPENDENT)
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JUSTICE / JUDGE RETENTION
Vote YES or NO

Shall Justice John Anthon Manglona of the CNMI Supreme Court be retained in office?
- YES
- NO

Shall Judge Joseph James Norita Camacho of the CNMI Superior Court be retained in office?
- YES
- NO

Shall Judge Wesley Matthew Bogdan of the CNMI Superior Court be retained in office?
- YES
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SPECIMEN

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
November 8, 2022 General Election Precinct No. 1 1B

SPECIMEN

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GOVERNOR/ LT. GOVERNOR
Vote for No More Than One (1)

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- 2 PALACIOS, Arnold Indalecio APATANG, David Mundo (INDEPENDENT)
- 3 TORRES, Ralph Anthony Deleon Guerrero SABLAN, Vinnie Vinson Flores (REPUBLICAN)

ATTORNEY GENERAL
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 MANIBUSAN, Edward Eladio
- 2 LIZAMA, Juan Tudela

DELEGATE TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 SABLAN, Gregorio Kilili Camacho (DEMOCRAT)

SENATE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

- 1 MAGOFNA, Corina Lorraine (INDEPENDENT)
- 2 BABAUTA, Celina Roberto (DEMOCRAT)
- 3 MARATITA, Janet Ulloa (REPUBLICAN)
- 4 DEMAPAN, Angel Aldan (REPUBLICAN)
- 5 SALAS, Andrew Sablan (INDEPENDENT)

MAYOR OF SAIPAN
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 GUERRERO, Joseph Leepan Tenorio (REPUBLICAN)
- 2 LIZAMA, Richard Tudela (DEMOCRAT)
- 3 CAMACHO, Ramon "RB" Jose Blas (INDEPENDENT)

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Vote for No More Than Three (3)

- 1 MENDIOLA, Joseph Muna
- 2 PANGELINAN, Carmen Cabrera
- 3 BORJA, Eusebio Camacho
- 4 AQUINO, Daniel Jr. Iwashita
- 5 HOFSCHNEIDER, Liana Sablan
- 6 TUDELA, Marian Deleon Guerrero
- 7 TUDELA, Antonia Manibusan

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 ORSINI, Andrew Lujan
- 2 HARRELL, Robert Charles

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
Vote for No More Than Six (6)

- 1 ANGEL, Frankie Fernando (REPUBLICAN)
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JUSTICE / JUDGE RETENTION
Vote YES or NO

Shall Justice John Anthon Manglona of the CNMI Supreme Court be retained in office?
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- YES
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Shall Judge Wesley Matthew Bogdan of the CNMI Superior Court be retained in office?
- YES
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SPECIMEN

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
November 8, 2022 General Election Precinct No. 1 1C

SPECIMEN

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GOVERNOR/ LT. GOVERNOR
Vote for No More Than One (1)

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- 2 PALACIOS, Arnold Indalecio APATANG, David Mundo (INDEPENDENT)
- 3 TORRES, Ralph Anthony Deleon Guerrero SABLAN, Vinnie Vinson Flores (REPUBLICAN)

ATTORNEY GENERAL
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 MANIBUSAN, Edward Eladio
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DELEGATE TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 SABLAN, Gregorio Kilili Camacho (DEMOCRAT)

SENATE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

- 1 MAGOFNA, Corina Lorraine (INDEPENDENT)
- 2 BABAUTA, Celina Roberto (DEMOCRAT)
- 3 MARATITA, Janet Ulloa (REPUBLICAN)
- 4 DEMAPAN, Angel Aldan (REPUBLICAN)
- 5 SALAS, Andrew Sablan (INDEPENDENT)

MAYOR OF SAIPAN
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 GUERRERO, Joseph Leepan Tenorio (REPUBLICAN)
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- 3 CAMACHO, Ramon "RB" Jose Blas (INDEPENDENT)

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Vote for No More Than Three (3)

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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Vote for No More Than One (1)

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
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SPECIMEN

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
November 8, 2022 General Election Precinct No. 2

SPECIMEN

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ATTORNEY GENERAL
Vote for No More Than One (1)

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- 2 LIZAMA, Juan Tudela

DELEGATE TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 SABLAN, Gregorio Kilili Camacho (DEMOCRAT)

SENATE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

- 1 MAGOFNA, Corina Lorraine (INDEPENDENT)
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- 3 MARATITA, Janet Ulloa (REPUBLICAN)
- 4 DEMAPAN, Angel Aldan (REPUBLICAN)
- 5 SALAS, Andrew Sablan (INDEPENDENT)

MAYOR OF SAIPAN
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 GUERRERO, Joseph Leepan Tenorio (REPUBLICAN)
- 2 LIZAMA, Richard Tudela (DEMOCRAT)
- 3 CAMACHO, Ramon "RB" Jose Blas (INDEPENDENT)

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Vote for No More Than Three (3)

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- 2 PANGELINAN, Carmen Cabrera
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- 6 TUDELA, Marian Deleon Guerrero
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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 ORSINI, Andrew Lujan
- 2 HARRELL, Robert Charles

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

- 1 ESTEVES, Eric Bayani (REPUBLICAN)
- 2 CASTRO, Manny Gregory Tenorio (INDEPENDENT)
- 3 SABLAN, John Paul Palacios (INDEPENDENT)
- 4 ADA, Keith Cabrera (REPUBLICAN)

JUSTICE / JUDGE RETENTION
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SPECIMEN

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
November 8, 2022 General Election Precinct No. 3 3A

SPECIMEN

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ATTORNEY GENERAL
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DELEGATE TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Vote for No More Than One (1)

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SENATE
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MAYOR OF SAIPAN
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- 3 CAMACHO, Ramon "RB" Jose Blas (INDEPENDENT)

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Vote for No More Than Three (3)

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- 2 PANGELINAN, Carmen Cabrera
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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 ORSINI, Andrew Lujan
- 2 HARRELL, Robert Charles

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
Vote for No More Than Six (6)

- 1 YUMUL, Ralph Naraja (INDEPENDENT)
- 2 ATTAO, Blas Jonathan "BJ" Tenorio (INDEPENDENT)
- 3 YANGETMAI, Benita Kaipat (DEMOCRAT)
- 4 CASTRO, Ana Demapan (REPUBLICAN)
- 5 SABLAN, Joaquin Jr. Rogopes (REPUBLICAN)
- 6 VILLAGOMEZ, Edmund Joseph Sablan (INDEPENDENT)
- 7 SABLAN, Grace Pitu (REPUBLICAN)
- 8 FLORES, Marissa Renee (INDEPENDENT)
- 9 HOCOG, Carl James (REPUBLICAN)
- 10 NGIRCHONGOR, Quaid Taima Ogumoro (REPUBLICAN)
- 11 PUA, Delbert Taitano (INDEPENDENT)
- 12 PANGELINAN, Lauren Yvonne Soris (DEMOCRAT)
- 13 CAMACHO, Vicente Castro (DEMOCRAT)

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SPECIMEN

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
November 8, 2022 General Election Precinct No. 3 3B

SPECIMEN

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Vote for No More Than One (1)

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ATTORNEY GENERAL
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- 1 MANIBUSAN, Edward Eladio
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DELEGATE TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 SABLAN, Gregorio Kilili Camacho (DEMOCRAT)

SENATE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

- 1 MAGOFNA, Corina Lorraine (INDEPENDENT)
- 2 BABAUTA, Celina Roberto (DEMOCRAT)
- 3 MARATITA, Janet Ulloa (REPUBLICAN)
- 4 DEMAPAN, Angel Aldan (REPUBLICAN)
- 5 SALAS, Andrew Sablan (INDEPENDENT)

MAYOR OF SAIPAN
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 GUERRERO, Joseph Leepan Tenorio (REPUBLICAN)
- 2 LIZAMA, Richard Tudela (DEMOCRAT)
- 3 CAMACHO, Ramon "RB" Jose Blas (INDEPENDENT)

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Vote for No More Than Three (3)

- 1 MENDIOLA, Joseph Muna
- 2 PANGELINAN, Carmen Cabrera
- 3 BORJA, Eusebio Camacho
- 4 AQUINO, Daniel Jr. Iwashita
- 5 HOFSCHNEIDER, Liana Sablan
- 6 TUDELA, Marian Deleon Guerrero
- 7 TUDELA, Antonia Manibusan

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Vote for No More Than One (1)

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- 2 HARRELL, Robert Charles

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
Vote for No More Than Six (6)

- 1 YUMUL, Ralph Naraja (INDEPENDENT)
- 2 ATTAO, Blas Jonathan "BJ" Tenorio (INDEPENDENT)
- 3 YANGETMAI, Benita Kaipat (DEMOCRAT)
- 4 CASTRO, Ana Demapan (REPUBLICAN)
- 5 SABLAN, Joaquin Jr. Rogopes (REPUBLICAN)
- 6 VILLAGOMEZ, Edmund Joseph Sablan (INDEPENDENT)
- 7 SABLAN, Grace Pitu (REPUBLICAN)
- 8 FLORES, Marissa Renee (INDEPENDENT)
- 9 HOCOG, Carl James (REPUBLICAN)
- 10 NGIRCHONGOR, Quaid Taima Ogumoro (REPUBLICAN)
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- NO

Shall Judge Wesley Matthew Bogdan of the CNMI Superior Court be retained in office?
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I support them both with all my heart, and I look forward to working closely with them as your representative in Congress. Today, I ask all my friends, supporters, and family to join me in supporting and voting for Tina Sablan and Leila Staffler for Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

-Kilili

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- Bachelor of Science, Conservation Science
- Master's in Urban and Regional Planning
- Mother: Carmela Sablan
- Father: Eugenio Sablan
- Grandparents: +Rosa San Nicolas Sablan, +Eulogio Torres Sablan
- Experience: Legislator, Journalist, Congressional Staffer, Nonprofit Program Manager, Environmental Specialist, Researcher, Facilitator
- Community involvement: Beach and village cleanup organizer/volunteer, Typhoon relief volunteer, USEPA Small Communities Advisory Subcommittee

- Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts
- Master's in Educational Leadership
- Mother: Deborah Aldan Fleming
- Father: Barney Rees Clark
- Grandparents: +Rosalia Crisostimo Fleming, +Alfred Flores Fleming
- Experience: Legislator, Principal, Coach, Advisor, Teacher, Community Organizer
- Community involvement: Developmental Disabilities Council Transition Coalition, Blue Ribbon Consortium, Kagman Schools PTSA, Pacific Century Fellow

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tional Women's Council and a founding member of The Dr. Joakim Peter Memorial Scholarship. I aggregated data for the framing of the COFA Alliance Network MEDICAID lobbying effort in Hawaii 2012, and lobbied for the 2019 Reuniting Family Act. These experiences have taught me how to clarify problems, identify practical solutions, and understand the value of teamwork.

Top three advocacies:

■ Non-retaliatory leadership

■ Equitable governance based on merits rather than connections

■ Fiscal responsibility that promotes shared prosperity

DENITA KAIPAT YANGETMAI

Position sought: House of Representatives, Precinct 3

Party: Democrat Party

Highest educational attainment:

■ Bachelor's degree in Business Administration at University of Hawaii at Manoa

■ Masters of International Education, Framingham College

Message:

Lesor mwamwaay, buenas dias, good morning Seipél/Saipan!

My name is Denita Kaipat Yangetmai. I am the daughter of Dr. Benusto Rogolifoi Kaipat and Mrs. Maria Pialur Kaipat. I am an alumni of Mount Carmel School, Class of '81. Prior to being elected into public office about two years ago, I was a long-time educator; I had taught for 16 years at Marianas High School, four years at Kagman High School, and two at Garapan Elementary School. In high schools, I taught mostly Social Studies subjects such as Economics, Geography, NMI History, U.S. History, and U.S. Government. I also taught some Business classes and Language Arts classes. It was during the times when I was teaching Social Studies classes that I was able to learn about the governments of the CNMI and the U.S., their Constitutions and the Covenant between the two governments. That's how much knowledge I had acquired about the two governments, from my work background, prior to running, and being elected to public office.

After being a representative for almost two years, I have encountered that some citizens seem to still be living in the past and are still living their lives as if water or power do not exist. Why is this happening? Your guess is probably better than mine. Because of this, I have become passionate about helping them, my people, whether in Precinct 3 or in another. Hence, my decision to run again is based on the following and much more:

1. Issues in Precinct 3: i.e., roads, water drainage, etc.
2. Advancement for women
3. Work on fixing the economy.
4. Continue to provide finance or other support to public education, public health, public safety, and public works.

Therefore, I am humbly asking for your support in voting for me and my fellow Precinct 3 Democratic representative candidates, incumbent Vicente Camacho and Lorraine Yvonne Sonis Pangelinan, as well as all the other Democratic candidates and independent democrats this November 2022 general election. *Ghilisou, si yu'us ma'ase,* and thank you in advance for your votes of confidence.

RALPH NARAJA YUMUL

Position sought: House of Representatives, Precinct 3

Party: Independent

Highest educational attainment:

■ Attended, Riverside Community College, Cal-State University Hayward

■ Graduated, National University, Business Administration

Work experience

■ General manager, Jollibee Restaurant and Naked Fish Bar & Grill

■ Teacher, PSS and NMC Adult Basic Education

■ Founder and managing partner, Advance Group LLC

■ Vice president/ general manager, Yco Corp.

■ Director, CNMI Small Business Development Center, Department of Commerce

■ Founder and managing partner, Pacific Foods CNMI franchisee, International House of Pancakes and AJISEN Ramen

Top advocacies

The Economy

■ Support our N. 1 industry, Tourism. Maintain our strong relationship with Japan while focusing on emerging markets like Korea, China, Philippines and Russia.

■ Support small business, which is the driving force of our economy. We need to help our businesses grow, while encouraging entrepreneurship here in the CNMI.

■ Revitalize old industry—farming and fishing—by supporting our local farmers and fishermen.

Reduce government spending

■ I will continue support legislation that reduces government expenditures.

■ I will continue to fight for strong fiscal plan.

■ I will continue address and reduce our government obligations.

Education

■ Strengthen early childhood program, elementary, junior high and high school to ensure we provide the funding needed so that no child is left behind.· Promote Northern Marianas College as an accredited learning institution throughout Asian countries.

■ Invest in our technical education to develop our workforce.

Health Care

■ I will continue to support legislations that ensure our people receives affordable health care services and easily access Medicaid programs.

JOEL CASTRO CAMACHO

Position sought: House of Representative, Precinct 4

Party: Independent

Highest educational attainment: Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Administration (Boise State University)

Work background relevant to public office: Worked at the Legislative Bureau as a senior legislative assistant assigned to the Senate for six years (2012-2018)

Top three advocacies:

■ Further enhance Precinct 4 through beautification, maintaining and keeping our areas clean, which will improve property equity for residences and quality of living, entice businesses to establish in the Precinct, and attract tourists which will ultimately benefit our economy in the CNMI.

■ Help to build a better economy by promoting trades in the CNMI such as Northern Marianas Technical Institute, Latte Academy, etc. that will help our people fill in the gaps in the private sector workforce, which will in turn provide job opportunities for many.

■ Streamline governmental services to attract business developers and alleviate potential roadblocks that discourage friendly business in the Commonwealth by improving our policies. Ultimately, since tourism and business development are the driving force in our economy that provide the necessary funding and resources to improve our healthcare, education, and public safety. Our economy is my main focus while in office.

PETER FRANCIS REYES MUÑA

Position sought: House of Repre-

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sentatives, Precinct 5

Party: Democrat Party

Highest educational attainment:

■ M. Ed. Framingham State University, Framingham, MA.

■ BA, University o Washington, Seattle, WA.

■ AA, Seattle Central College, Seattle, WA.

Work Background relevant to public office:

■ Six years with the Public School System

■ 17 years as an entrepreneur, providing premium and direct fulfillment to PBS stations like WHYY in Philadelphia, Rocky Mountain PBS in Denver, and KSPS in Spokane, to name a few.

■ 26 years KCTS, Channel 9, The PBS affiliate in Seattle.

■ Five years with the Social Security Administration

Top advocacies:

■ Retirement

■ Deficit

■ Infrastructure

■ Renewable Energy

■ Wastewater.

JULIE MARIE ATALIG OGO

Position sought: House of Representatives, Precinct 7

Party: Independent

Highest educational attainment: Associates of Arts in Liberal Arts

Work background relevant to public office:

With over 20 years of experience in customer service, I've come to realize people rely on those they can trust and know are detail-oriented and resourceful. We can't always find the perfect situation in which problems can be easily solved, so it requires us to work on alternatives that can lead to a possible compromise. I feel I have the maturity needed to work with others to bring about the desired results my precinct residents desire.

Top three advocacies:

■ Work on long-awaited infrastructure projects (Sinapalo Elementary School road paving, Sinapalo III road paving, Finafa and Dugi homestead infrastructure needs)

■ Support interisland and off-island medical referral program

■ Support and expand youth program activities

DANIEL IWASHITA AQUINO JR.

Position sought: Saipan Municipal Council

Party affiliation: Nonpartisan

Highest educational attainment: Bachelor's in Business Administration

Work background relevant to public service:

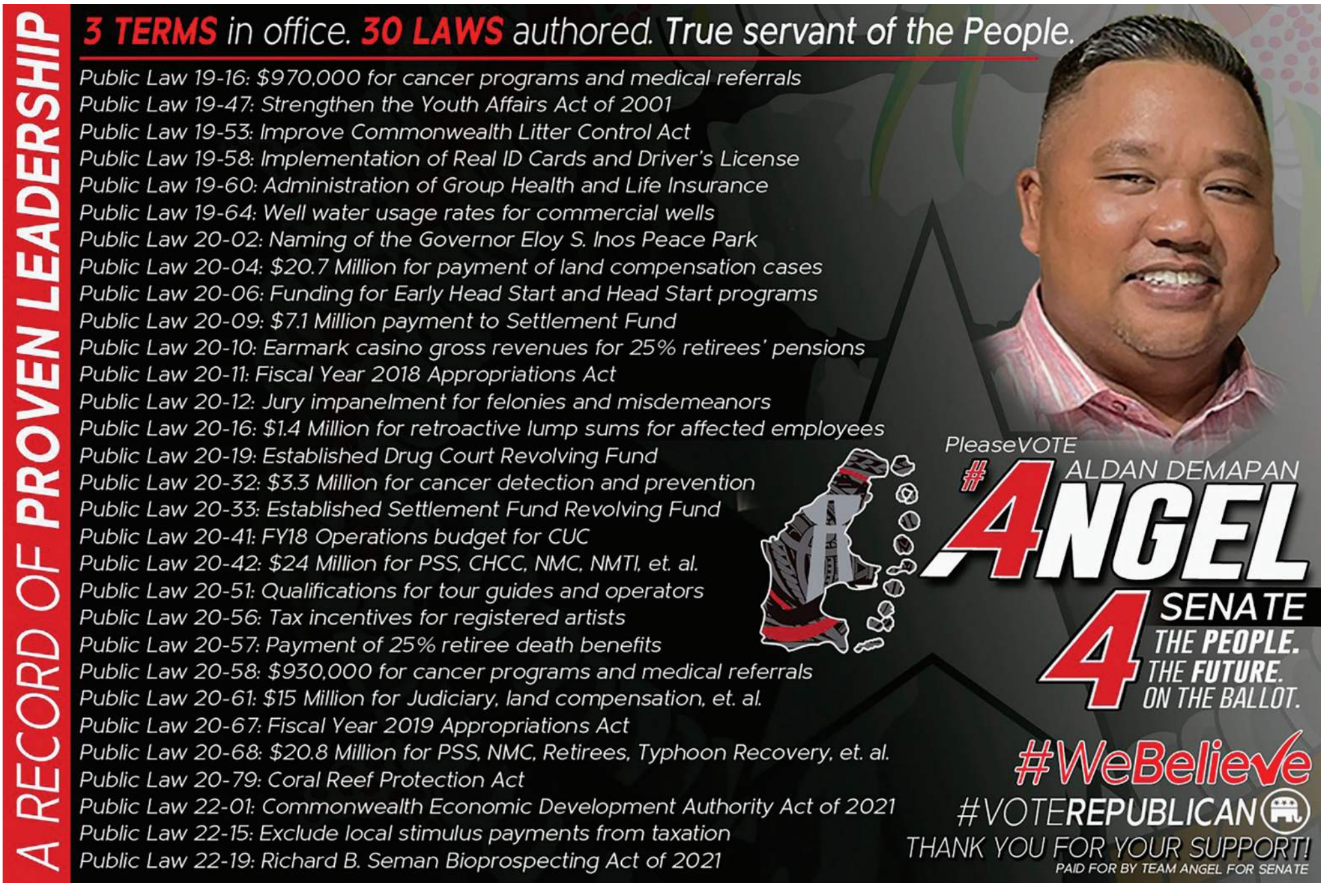
Current executive director of the NMI Museum of History and Culture. My job and military experience gives the public a level of trust in me to execute my vision and direction for the municipal council.

Top three advocacies:

■ Establish a collaboration with the Saipan Mayor's Office by assisting them compiling data about issues and concerns of residents within each precincts.

■ Collaborate with nonprofit community groups by conducting health and wellness screenings in various villages.

■ Collaborate with the Saipan Mayors' Office on village cleanups, which helps minimize the burden on the mayor's office.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3 TERMS in office. 30 LAWS authored. True servant of the People.
Public Law 19-16: $970,000 for cancer programs and medical referrals
Public Law 19-47: Strengthen the Youth Affairs Act of 2001
Public Law 19-53: Improve Commonwealth Litter Control Act
Public Law 19-58: Implementation of Real ID Cards and Driver's License
Public Law 19-60: Administration of Group Health and Life Insurance
Public Law 19-64: Well water usage rates for commercial wells
Public Law 20-02: Naming of the Governor Eloy S. Inos Peace Park
Public Law 20-04: $20.7 Million for payment of land compensation cases
Public Law 20-06: Funding for Early Head Start and Head Start programs
Public Law 20-09: $7.1 Million payment to Settlement Fund
Public Law 20-10: Earmark casino gross revenues for 25% retirees' pensions
Public Law 20-11: Fiscal Year 2018 Appropriations Act
Public Law 20-12: Jury impanelment for felonies and misdemeanors
Public Law 20-16: $1.4 Million for retroactive lump sums for affected employees
Public Law 20-19: Established Drug Court Revolving Fund
Public Law 20-32: $3.3 Million for cancer detection and prevention
Public Law 20-33: Established Settlement Fund Revolving Fund
Public Law 20-41: FY18 Operations budget for CUC
Public Law 20-42: $24 Million for PSS, CHCC, NMC, NMTI, et. al.
Public Law 20-51: Qualifications for tour guides and operators
Public Law 20-56: Tax incentives for registered artists
Public Law 20-57: Payment of 25% retiree death benefits
Public Law 20-58: $930,000 for cancer programs and medical referrals
Public Law 20-61: $15 Million for Judiciary, land compensation, et. al.
Public Law 20-67: Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriations Act
Public Law 20-68: $20.8 Million for PSS, NMC, Retirees, Typhoon Recovery, et. al.
Public Law 20-79: Coral Reef Protection Act
Public Law 22-01: Commonwealth Economic Development Authority Act of 2021
Public Law 22-15: Exclude local stimulus payments from taxation
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#4 Ana Demapan CASTRO
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A man with a mission

By TERI M. FLORES
CORRESPONDENT

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO
Justice John A. Manglona observes the testing of the Guma Hustisia's new electronic court calendar video wall.

CNMI Supreme Court Justice John A. Manglona is a man with a mission—he wants to continue to be a part of the bench so that he can work with his fellow justices to achieve the goals of modernizing CNMI court operations and spearheading community outreach projects.

Seeing these goals come to fruition has taken much of Justice Manglona's time and energy both on and off the bench, aside from hearing hundreds of cases and authoring opinions both in the Commonwealth Supreme Court and the Supreme Court of Guam. And his continuing desire to contribute is what drives him to run for another retention.

Justice Manglona is a 22-year veteran of the CNMI high court, having first served as an appointee of former governor Pedro P. Tenorio in 2000 to the Superior Court as an associate judge, While serving as a judge, then-Guam Governor Carl Gutierrez also nominated Manglona as a designated justice of the Guam Supreme Court for a four-year term. In 2000, Manglona ascended to the CNMI Supreme Court to become an associate justice.

This is his third time to seek retention for another eight-year term. Manglona was first retained by 75% of voters in 2007 and by 78% in 2014. His current term expires in May, 2024

Manglona's desire to continue being a public servant is deep. In his letter of intent he says, "In the past 22 years as a Supreme Court justice, I have worked diligently to serve the interests of our island community. I want to extend my sincere appreciation to all voters whose voices provide the guiding light in our islands. I eagerly await the electoral process and the prospect of further judicial service."

Born on Rota, Manglona attended Guam Catholic schools and graduated from Father Duenas Memorial School. He received his B.A. in Political Economy from the University of California, Berkeley, and graduated from Creighton University School of Law (J.D.) and the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law (LL.M. in Taxation).

Prior to his appointment to the bench, Manglona was in private practice, focusing on probate, corporations, tax, and real property transactions.

Manglona is married to U.S. District Court for the NMI Chief Judge Ramona V. Manglona, and they have two children..

Saipan Tribune recently sat down with Manglona to talk about his advocacies on and off the bench and his accomplishments during his first two terms as an associate justice.

On improving court operations, "Modernizing our courts is very important," Manglona says, so he has taken leadership roles in some committees while also serving as an advocate and an adviser on some, providing guidance and expertise to the judiciary committees tasked to do the job.

Manglona is proud of the court's accomplishments during these past eight years, He refrains from listing one specific project or program over another since all of the parts of the court that were modernized play an important role in the delivery of judicial services. But overall, he says, the successes can be fully credited to the work of the project committees that are made up of administrative and bench leadership, as well as dedicated staff. Some of the key committees involved in modernization were strategic planning, court technology, e-filing, e-recording, court rules, court security, and infrastructure improvements.

Modernization of court systems was at the very heart of the Judiciary's five-year strategic plan, which has been implemented since 2018. Manglona says that capital improvement projects at the Guma' Hustisia were undertaken under this plan. These included an upgraded security and screening zone (SSZ). With funding from the federal CARES Act, Manglona spearheaded the SSZ building committee to complete the Guma Hustisia's building extension—a task that was done in less than six months at the height of the pandemic. The building has the latest built-in sanitizing equipment and scanning technology—important features for a building that processes approximately 5,000 visitors monthly.

Manglona also actively participates in the work of the court's technology team, which is currently working on a major revamp of the technology infrastructure. Aside from enhancing connectivity that will allow for greater speed and clarity in virtual court hearings on all three islands. Manglona is also excited to see the outcome of audiovisual enhancements in all courtrooms, which is anticipated to be implemented in 2023.

There is even more exciting news ahead. This November, the Judiciary will finally be implementing an electronic land recording system. Manglona says this is one of the most innovative land documents recording systems in the Pacific region, bringing tremendous convenience to the public in keeping track and accessing land records and documents. This technological enhancement was made possible through the efforts of the court's e-recording committee.

Manglona is also deeply involved in one of the Judiciary's major infrastructure improvement—the Data Center. Aimed at meeting the growing needs of the Judiciary's new age technology systems, the Data Center is set for completion in late 2023. The facility will provide a secure environment for the court's new IT equipment and network infrastructure.

Nearest and dearest to Manglona's heart are several programs that the Judiciary implements for the community's benefit. Off the bench, the associate justice has, for over 20 years now, contributed as a judge and coach at speech and debate competitions. He actively assists with the high school mock trial program as well.

According to Manglona, there are current plans for an in-person mock trial competition to be held in February 2023, after being off for two years during the pandemic.

"I sometimes worry that our students may think they are not as good as students on the mainland," Manglona said. "…Maybe we don't have the resources of mainland schools, but I want people to know that some of my fondest memories include coaching mock trial and *'We the People'* teams at national competitions in Washington, D.C. and watching our NMI students hold their own against the best in the country. We have a lot of very talented students."

Manglona is also proud of his participation in the Judiciary's Summer Pre-law Program, which he has helped plan since 1991."I have witnessed firsthand the benefits of having our residents attend this program and later go on to law school and return to serve our island in many capacities."

In fact, the Judiciary's pre-law committee ran a successful program this past summer with a group of 19 students, most of whom have expressed interest in applying to law school.

The associate justice also sees the importance of bringing Supreme Court hearings to schools so that our youth can observe firsthand how the justice system works. "In recent years, we held oral arguments at Kagman High School, Marianas High School, Saipan Southern High School, and Mount Carmel School. The students make a great audience. I hope they find inspiration in seeing some very fine lawyers stand and argue their cases. On Rota and Tinian, we invited and interacted with students in the courtrooms. We will continue to reach out to our youth—to listen to them, understand their viewpoints, and answer their questions." Manglona said.

The Law and the Freshman Legislator program, which he started in 2002, is another program near and dear to Manglona's heart. "I think it's very important and it provides a real benefit to all residents."

The associate justice introduced the program in 2002 after talking to the chief justice of the Washington State Supreme Court. Designed to provide first-term legislators with an overview of the Constitution, the Covenant, the rules for statutory construction, and how to tap into legal research and resources, the program has consistently received favorable evaluations.

"I believe it helps our legislators carry out their duties," Manglona said. "Plans are currently in the works to offer the programs in January 2023 for what could possibly be the largest-ever incoming group of freshmen legislators."

Thanks to the funding support of the Judiciary, the CNMI Bar Association, and the Public School System, these community programs continue to thrive. But despite the successes, Manglona said the programs still face funding woes and the need to find enough volunteers to keep them going year to year.

"I am very grateful for the support we have had over the years from people willing to serve as volunteers. Without volunteers, many of these programs will not continue. So far we have had good luck finding volunteers, and I remain hopeful that these successful and exciting programs will continue long into the future," Manglona said.

The CNMI Judiciary: Pre- and post-pandemic

Similar to organizations that want to stay at the forefront of their industry, the CNMI Judiciary believes that continuous improvement is the way for the courts to be efficient and effective in carrying out its mandate of serving the public. With the Judiciary's Strategic Plan in place, and backed by funding from the ARPA and CARES Act, the automation and computerization of court systems became a reality.

"In 2014, the Judiciary lacked the resources and manpower to improve our severely outdated technology systems. Our IT division only had about two employees servicing court facilities on Saipan, Tinian and Rota. Our computer systems were outdated." He says these all changed with the infusion of federal funding. One upgrade that has proven to be advantageous was equipping court personnel with their own laptops. With this, Manglona says, the court continued to operate virtually even during times of closure.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO
Justice John A. Manglona joins the panel at a Supreme Court appellate session held during the pandemic.

While the Judiciary has made great strides in improving court technology at all levels and areas, Manglona says procuring technology can be challenging because of supply chain issues. But he remains optimistic that the Judiciary will eventually procure equipment and supplies in the coming months.A legacy of the pandemic that Manglona says will continue to be practiced in court are virtual proceedings, including the initial stages of criminal proceedings. This also happens to be included in the Judiciary's five-year Strategic Plan. "We have parties, witnesses, and attorneys living and traveling in all parts of the world, with different schedules and responsibilities, so continuity of virtual hearings ensures greater access to justice," he said.

As part of efforts to align its processes with other jurisdictions, Manglona says the Judiciary has also made some institutional changes through programs set up during the pandemic. This include the establishment of a Mental Health Court Docket to fulfill an order issued by the Supreme Court in 2021. Plans are also underway for a Veterans Court docket. Both programs supplement the successful Drug Court treatment program, which has been found to be effective in dealing with substance use and mental health issues in the justice system.

The results of the recent evaluation by the CNMI Bar Association showed the need to immediately act on the need for professional development of bench members and court staff. In response, Manglona says the Judiciary will continue to enhance its training programs to address this and other concerns of the NMI Bar Association. "We welcome such evaluations and other input as we all aim at maintaining a firm and effective court system."

While Manglona underscores the importance of advanced technology, improved buildings, successful programs and increased personnel in court operations, he says his main obligation and steadfast resolve are to interpret and apply the law impartially, fairly, and promptly.

A life of service to the CNMI

Camacho

By TERI M. FLORES
CORRESPONDENT

Seeking a third term to continue serving as a judicial officer of the CNMI Superior Court is associate judge Joseph Norita Camacho. With his name on the ballot in the retention election on Nov. 8, Camacho is again seeking another six years to serve as a trial court judge.

In his letter of intent to run for retention, the associate judge listed down the extensive work he has done over the span of 11 years, presiding over numerous trials and hearings. Among the trials that Camacho has presided over involve serious crimes ranging from murder, sexual assault and abuse, to robbery, kidnapping, and assault with a dangerous weapon, burglary, theft, and trafficking illegal drugs, among others.

As an associate judge, Camacho has also heard cases that run the gamut from serious criminal offenses to probate, juvenile, and family court to settlement, and mediation and to performing weddings, and administering oaths of office.

During his first 11 years as a trial court judge, Camacho has issued 200 published opinions that now give guidance on the law. The opinions can be found on the Commonwealth Law Revision Commission website (https://cnmilaw.org/index.php#gsc.tab=0).

Presently, Camacho handles the whole Probate Court docket for Saipan, Rota and Tinian as well as bail and preliminary hearings. In addition, he also hears Saipan criminal and civil cases and conducts probate hearings that are simultaneously viewed via videoconference at the Rota and Tinian courthouses.

The associate judge also sits as a justice pro-tem on the CNMI Supreme Court or the Guam Supreme Court when a conflict arises on cases that are on appeal in either benches.

Off the bench, Camacho ardently supports two school programs that benefit private and public school students from the three islands. A vocation that he has nurtured for 20 years is his work with the CNMI's High School and Jr. High School Mock Trial programs. He also visited public and private elementary, middle, and high schools on Rota, Tinian, and Saipan as part of the "Judges in the Classroom" program, which allows judges to visit schools and talk to students about interesting legal concepts and issues.

CNMI law enforcement officers have also benefitted from Camacho's expertise in constitutional law, which he has taught at the Department of Public Safety and Fire academies. He has also given presentations on search and seizure to the CNMI Customs Division and Biosecurity and DPS police officers and cadets on Saipan, Tinian, and Rota.

Camacho first ascended to the Superior Court in November 2011 upon a unanimous vote of the CNMI Senate. He received an overwhelming mandate from CNMI voters in 2016 to again serve another six-year term, which is set to expire in November 2023.

Camacho's role as a public servant is prolific. Prior to his judgeship, he served in various roles as a public servant beginning as a DPS police officer, a prosecutor in the CNMI Attorney General's Office and as a floor leader in the 16th CNMI House of Representatives. He also spent several years in private practice as well as an instructor of business law at the Northern Marianas College.

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PERSONAL

Born on Saipan, on Aug 6, 1971
First of four children of Jesus and Frances Yumul.

Married to Ronaleen Joy Yumul, 2nd grade Teach at GES.

Three Sons Railee, Ranzley and Vincent-Jesse.

EDUCATION

Graduated MHS

Attended Riverside Community College, Undergraduate

Attended Cal-State University Hayward, Undergraduate

Graduated National University, Business Administration

CAREER

General Manager,
Jollibee Restaurant and Naked Fish Bar & Grill

Teacher, PSS and NMC Adult, Basic Education

Founder and Managing Partner, Advance Group LLC

Vice-President/ General Manager, Yco Corporation

Director, CNMI Small Business
Development Center, Department of Commerce

Founder and Managing Partner,
Pacific Foods CNMI Franchisee - International
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The Economy
Support our Number 1 industry, Tourism. Maintain our strong relationship with Japan while focusing on emerging markets like Korea, China and Philippines.

Support our Small Businesses which is the driving force of our economy. We need help our businesses grow. While encouraging entrepreneurship here in the CNMI.

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I will continue Address and reduce our Government obligations.

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Strengthen early childhood program, elementary, Junior High and High school to ensure we provide the funding needed so that no child is left behind.

Promote Northern Marianas College an Accredited learning institution through out Asian Countries.

Invest in our Technical Education to develop our workforce.

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Bogdan optimistic about the CNMI's Judiciary's future

By TERI M. FLORES
CORRESPONDENT

Superior Court Associate Judge Wesley Bogdan is one of three judicial court officers who is seeking retention in the Nov. 8 general elections.

Bogdan considers his role as a trial court judge a "great privilege and honor and a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity be a part of ensuring the proper administration of justice for the Northern Marianas community," which he considers home.

Bogdan first joined the lower court in November 2017 following a unanimous confirmation by the CNMI Senate on his nomination. His term expires in November 2023 and this is his first time to seek retention to continue serving in the Superior Court for another six years.

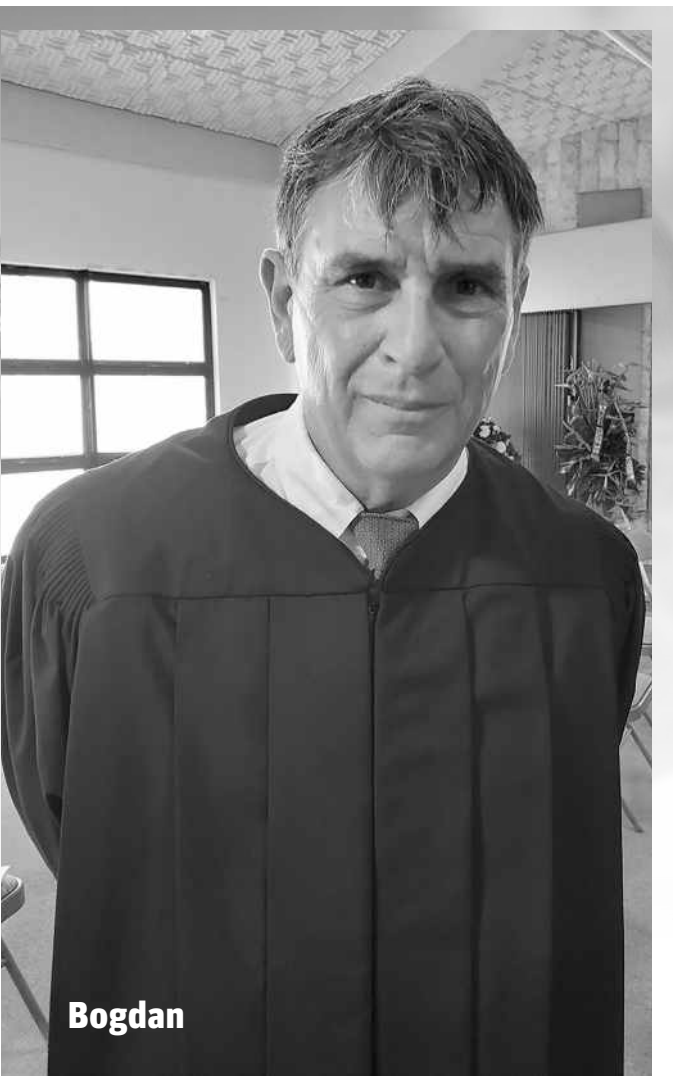
As the court's newest associate judge, Bogdan considers his first five years in the lower court the most challenging times to learn and perform his work as a judge. His first term came at a time when the Northern Marianas faced the aftermath of two catastrophic super typhoons followed by the coronavirus pandemic.

"Super typhoons, broken air conditioners, mold, and a global pandemic—all causing the closure of the Guma Hustisia for long periods of time—have required me to grow in this position through highly unusual circumstances. I have actually worked longer in the temporary courtrooms setup [at the Pedro P. Tenorio] Multi-Purpose Building and at the Marianas Business Plaza than I have in the Guma Hustisia," Bogdan said.

"COVID and all the ripple adverse effects the disease has caused has affected everyone, including the CNMI. Massive unemployment, increasing drug and alcohol abuse and property crime, social isolation, and the rising costs of living have all taken enormous tolls on the well-being of a great number of the people who appear in my courtroom." Bogdan said.

> **'The CNMI Judiciary can continue to positively contribute to this unique place we call home by promoting the rule of law.'**

On top of the lessons brought by these circumstances are the experiential ones Bogdan learned while on the bench. "A new trial court judge can only learn through experience—by doing all the things a judge must master in order to handle non-stop, always-changing, high-pressure circumstances involving people facing difficult legal problems."


Bogdan

Despite these challenges, Bogan remains optimistic about the future of the CNMI Judiciary. "The CNMI Judiciary can continue to positively contribute to this unique place we call home by promoting the rule of law."

The associate judge proudly credits his support team, the Judiciary, and the Commonwealth community for adjusting well to the challenges. "I firmly believe we have become better, more resilient people through it all."

With his role as an associate judge in a close-knit community, Bogdan has learned to practice work/life balance that helps him stay focused on his job. "My family and the environment are my great balancing factors. Growing up in a very small town in the United States similar in population to the CNMI, I learned early on that everyone in small communities pretty much knew everyone else or was somehow related. It's better to get along and avoid criticizing and confrontation unless it couldn't be avoided."

Originally from New Mexico, Bogdan has planted his roots in the Northern Marianas, which has been his home for the past 30 years. Bodgan first visited Saipan in 1994 at the invitation of two lawyer friends and he decided to stay right after meeting the people and the Marianas and experiencing the ocean surrounding Saipan.

He received his B.A. degree from the University of Texas (Austin), after which he attended law school and obtained a juris doctorate from the University of New Mexico School of Law in 1992.

In his 28-year career as a lawyer in the Northern Marianas, Bogdan has held several positions in the CNMI government, beginning in 1995 as an assistant attorney general for the CNMI departments of Commerce and Labor, where he also concurrently served as a judicial hearing officer. He also worked with the Office of the Public Defender.

Immediately prior to his ascent to the Superior Court, Bogdan was the legal counsel and senior policy adviser in the Office of the Governor during Gov. Eloy Inos' and Gov. Ralph DLG Torres' administrations.

Bogdan also worked in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia where he held the position of deputy director of the Legal Department of the Asian Football Confederation and as legal counsel to AFC's then-president Zhang Jilong. He also has experience as a private law practitioner in the CNMI, first as a member of a law firm before establishing his own practice.

In his biography in the judicial system website, Bogdan lists serving as legal counsel and policy adviser on behalf of the Commonwealth during the 2016-2017 Covenant Section 902 Consultations with the Government of the United States as one of his most challenging and rewarding legal experiences.

The associate judge, who has a lifelong passion for soccer, is also one of the founders and is still an active executive committee member of the Northern Mariana Island Football Association.

He has also been active with the CNMI Bar Association and served as head of the Continuing Legal Education Committee and as a member of the Disciplinary Committee. Additionally, he has also taught at the Northern Mariana College and remains active as a part of Judiciary's Mock Trial Competitions.

The associate judge met his wife, Tomoko, on Saipan and they both truly appreciate being a part of this community for almost 30 years.

As a message to CNMI voters, the associate judge has this to say: "Being a judge is difficult and sometimes stressful work and requires the constant weighing of competing interests and complex legal arguments—and making difficult decisions on a daily basis. These past five years have been extraordinary and I will continue to approach each case that comes before me with an open mind and I will decide it on the basis of the evidence, the law, and precedent."

Designated polling places this Nov. 8

Pursuant to I CMC § 6105 (c), the Commonwealth Election Commission hereby announces the designated polling places for the upcoming Nov. 8, 2022 General Election. The polling places for the general election will open at 7am and close at 7pm. The polling places are as follows:

Election District	Polling Place
Precinct 1A (San Antonio Area)	Hopwood Junior High School Cafeteria (Football field entrance)
Precinct 1B-1 (San Vicente/Dandan Area) Precinct 1B-2 (San Vicente/Dandan Area)	Dandan Middle School Cafeteria (Dandan baseball/softball field entrance)
Precinct 1C (Koblerville Area)	Koblerville Youth Center (Front entrance)
Precinct 2 (Chalan Kanoa/Susupe Area)	Joeten/Kiyu Public Library (Front entrance)
Precinct 3A (San Jose/Oleai)	Oleai Elementary School Cafeteria (Front entrance)
Precinct 3B-1 (Garapan Area) Precinct 3B-2 (Garapan Area)	Garapan Elementary School Cafeteria (Northern entrance)
Precinct 4A (Tanapag Area)	Tanapag Youth Center (Main entrance)
Precinct 4B (San Roque/As Matius Area)	Gregorio T. Camacho Elementary School Cafeteria (Main)
Precinct 4C (Capitol Hill Area)	Jesus P. Manas Legislative Building (Main entrance)
Precinct 4D (Northern Islands)	Alamagan, Pagan and Agrigan
Precinct 5-1 (Kagman Area) Precinct 5-2 (Kagman Area)	Chacha Oceanview Middle School (Main entrance)
Precinct 6 (Tinian & Aguiguan)	Tinian Elementary School Cafeteria (Main Exit)
Precinct 7 (Rota)	Rota-NMC Room B-2 (Main entrance)

As mandated by I CMC $6218, voters must ensure that they bring with them a pictured ID as they will be required to present it in order to be issued a ballot at the polls. For more information, please contact the Commonwealth Election Commission at 235-8683(VOTE).

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November 8, 2022 General Election Precinct No. 4 4A

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- 3 TORRES, Ralph Anthony Deleon Guerrero SABLAN, Vinnie Vinson Flores (REPUBLICAN)

ATTORNEY GENERAL
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 MANIBUSAN, Edward Eladio
- 2 LIZAMA, Juan Tudela

DELEGATE TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 SABLAN, Gregorio Kilili Camacho (DEMOCRAT)

SENATE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

- 1 MAGOFNA, Corina Lorraine (INDEPENDENT)
- 2 BABAUTA, Celina Roberto (DEMOCRAT)
- 3 MARATITA, Janet Ulloa (REPUBLICAN)
- 4 DEMAPAN, Angel Aldan (REPUBLICAN)
- 5 SALAS, Andrew Sablan (INDEPENDENT)

MAYOR OF SAIPAN
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 GUERRERO, Joseph Leepan Tenorio (REPUBLICAN)
- 2 LIZAMA, Richard Tudela (DEMOCRAT)
- 3 CAMACHO, Ramon "RB" Jose Blas (INDEPENDENT)

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Vote for No More Than Three (3)

- 1 MENDIOLA, Joseph Muna
- 2 PANGELINAN, Carmen Cabrera
- 3 BORJA, Eusebio Camacho
- 4 AQUINO, Daniel Jr. Iwashita
- 5 HOFSCHNEIDER, Liana Sablan
- 6 TUDELA, Marian Deleon Guerrero
- 7 TUDELA, Antonia Manibusan

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 ORSINI, Andrew Lujan
- 2 HARRELL, Robert Charles

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

- 1 CAMACHO, Joel Castro (INDEPENDENT)
- 2 SABLAN, David Reyes (REPUBLICAN)
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- 4 TAITANO, Cecilia Remedio (REPUBLICAN)

JUSTICE / JUDGE RETENTION
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- YES
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COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
November 8, 2022 General Election Precinct No. 4 4B

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- 3 TORRES, Ralph Anthony Deleon Guerrero SABLAN, Vinnie Vinson Flores (REPUBLICAN)

ATTORNEY GENERAL
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 MANIBUSAN, Edward Eladio
- 2 LIZAMA, Juan Tudela

DELEGATE TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 SABLAN, Gregorio Kilili Camacho (DEMOCRAT)

SENATE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

- 1 MAGOFNA, Corina Lorraine (INDEPENDENT)
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- 5 SALAS, Andrew Sablan (INDEPENDENT)

MAYOR OF SAIPAN
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 GUERRERO, Joseph Leepan Tenorio (REPUBLICAN)
- 2 LIZAMA, Richard Tudela (DEMOCRAT)
- 3 CAMACHO, Ramon "RB" Jose Blas (INDEPENDENT)

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Vote for No More Than Three (3)

- 1 MENDIOLA, Joseph Muna
- 2 PANGELINAN, Carmen Cabrera
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BOARD OF EDUCATION
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
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COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
November 8, 2022 General Election Precinct No. 4 4C

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ATTORNEY GENERAL
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 MANIBUSAN, Edward Eladio
- 2 LIZAMA, Juan Tudela

DELEGATE TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 SABLAN, Gregorio Kilili Camacho (DEMOCRAT)

SENATE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

- 1 MAGOFNA, Corina Lorraine (INDEPENDENT)
- 2 BABAUTA, Celina Roberto (DEMOCRAT)
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MAYOR OF SAIPAN
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 GUERRERO, Joseph Leepan Tenorio (REPUBLICAN)
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MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Vote for No More Than Three (3)

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BOARD OF EDUCATION
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
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ATTORNEY GENERAL
Vote for No More Than One (1)

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DELEGATE TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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SENATE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

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- 4 DEMAPAN, Angel Aldan (REPUBLICAN)
- 5 SALAS, Andrew Sablan (INDEPENDENT)

MAYOR OF NORTHERN ISLANDS
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 KAPILEO, Jocelyn Frances Aldan (INDEPENDENT)
- 2 TAISACAN, Valentino Jr. Nicky (REPUBLICAN)

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Vote for No More Than Three (3)

- 1 MENDIOLA, Joseph Muna
- 2 PANGELINAN, Carmen Cabrera
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BOARD OF EDUCATION
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- 2 PALACIOS, Arnold Indalecio APATANG, David Mundo (INDEPENDENT)
- 3 TORRES, Ralph Anthony Deleon Guerrero SABLAN, Vinnie Vinson Flores (REPUBLICAN)

ATTORNEY GENERAL
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 MANIBUSAN, Edward Eladio
- 2 LIZAMA, Juan Tudela

DELEGATE TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 SABLAN, Gregorio Kilili Camacho (DEMOCRAT)

SENATE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

- 1 MAGOFNA, Corina Lorraine (INDEPENDENT)
- 2 BABAUTA, Celina Roberto (DEMOCRAT)
- 3 MARATITA, Janet Ulloa (REPUBLICAN)
- 4 DEMAPAN, Angel Aldan (REPUBLICAN)
- 5 SALAS, Andrew Sablan (INDEPENDENT)

MAYOR OF SAIPAN
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 GUERRERO, Joseph Leepan Tenorio (REPUBLICAN)
- 2 LIZAMA, Richard Tudela (DEMOCRAT)
- 3 CAMACHO, Ramon "RB" Jose Blas (INDEPENDENT)

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Vote for No More Than Three (3)

- 1 MENDIOLA, Joseph Muna
- 2 PANGELINAN, Carmen Cabrera
- 3 BORJA, Eusebio Camacho
- 4 AQUINO, Daniel Jr. Iwashita
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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 ORSINI, Andrew Lujan
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

- 1 MANGLONA, Thomas John Dela Cruz (REPUBLICAN)
- 2 CABRERA, Ignacio Villagomez (INDEPENDENT)
- 3 CAMACHO, Angelo Atalig (INDEPENDENT)
- 4 MUNA, Peter Francis Reyes (DEMOCRAT)
- 5 MARATITA, Juan Ulloa (INDEPENDENT)

JUSTICE / JUDGE RETENTION
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Shall Judge Wesley Matthew Bogdan of the CNMI Superior Court be retained in office?
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- 3 TORRES, Ralph Anthony Deleon Guerrero SABLAN, Vinnie Vinson Flores (REPUBLICAN)

ATTORNEY GENERAL
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 MANIBUSAN, Edward Eladio
- 2 LIZAMA, Juan Tudela

DELEGATE TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 SABLAN, Gregorio Kilili Camacho (DEMOCRAT)

SENATE
Vote for No More Than Two (2)

- 1 HOFSCHNEIDER, Jude Untalan (REPUBLICAN)
- 2 MENDIOLA, Thomasa Rita Palacios (INDEPENDENT)
- 3 CRUZ, Francisco Quichuchu (REPUBLICAN)

MAYOR OF TINIAN
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 ALDAN, Edwin Palacios

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Vote for No More Than Three (3)

- 1 SAN NICOLAS, Ana Marie Cruz
- 2 MENDIOLA, Juanita Masga
- 3 CABRERA, Estevan Pangelinan
- 4 SANTOS, Joseph Romaldo Evangelista

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 BORJA, Antonio Ramon Lunag

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
Vote for No More Than One (1)

- 1 DELA CRUZ, Frederick Arend (DEMOCRAT)
- 2 SAN NICOLAS, Patrick Hofschneider (REPUBLICAN)

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For Saipan Mayor

Rep. Richard Tudela
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Christmas in the Marianas set for Dec. 3, 10, 17, and Jan. 7

Dates for the holiday fanfare of Christmas in the Marianas have been set for Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2022, and Jan. 7, 2023, at Garapan Fishing Base on Saipan.

This year's holiday festival is once again organized by the Marianas Visitors Authority, in cooperation with the CNMI Public School System, private schools, PDM Promoters, and Pacific Development Inc.

With the enthusiastic participation of schools again, this year's activities will include Christmas caroling, skits, costumes, student-decorated Christmas trees, and a mini Christmas village. A Christmas float parade will also be held on Dec. 17 after sunset through downtown Garapan.

For the first time, the public are invited to make a display for the Christmas mini-village. Cash prizes for entries are $3,000 for first place, $1,500 for second place, and $1,000 for third place. Participants will be provided a 4'x4' wooden structure to decorate. Slots will be provided on a first-come, first-serve basis.

"To further brighten the holidays and our annual program, this year we are pleased to announce our Christmas mini-village contest open to the public," said MVA managing director Priscilla M. Iakopo. "Also, in keeping with our local tradition of celebrating the holidays through Three Kings Sunday, we are extending the festivities to Jan. 7. The holidays are usually a stronger travel period, so more visitors will be able to enjoy the Christmas in the Marianas experience with this prolonged schedule."

The MVA will also have a light and sculpture display at Garapan Fishing Base to coincide with the festivities.

On Rota, a contest for the best decorated house will be held. On Tinian, a contest for best decorated building will be held in two categories: residential and business/government office, and a children's caroling and costume contest will be held.

For more information or a Christmas Mini-Village application, contact MVA Community Projects specialist Jack Aranda at jaranda@mymarianas.com or 664-3200/1. For Rota events, contact MVA Field Operations supervisor David Atalaig at datalig@mymarianas.com or 532-0327. On Tinian, contact MVA Field Operations supervisor Vida Borja at vborja@mymarianas.com or 433-9365. ***(MVA)***

Power service interruptions today, tomorrow

There will be scheduled power service interruptions today and tomorrow, Oct. 25 and 26, 2022, as the Commonwealth Utilities Corp. continues its ongoing system maintenance.

TUESDAY, OCT. 25, 2022

■Time: 9am to 3pm

■Area(s) affected: Capital Hill (Portions of Isa Drive).

■ Momentary Power Service Interruption Time: 9am to 9:30am and 2:30pm to 3pm

■ Area(s) affected: Sadog Tasi.

■ Purpose: To replace two wooden primary power poles to concrete poles along Isa Drive.

■ Water well(s) affected: SQ Wells and Maui 4 Booster, however, no areas affected.

■ Wastewater facility affected: None

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 26, 2022

■ Time: 9am to 1pm

■ Area(s) affected: Buenas Noches Street, Dandan.

■ Purpose: To replace a primary power pole along Buenas Noches Street in Dandan.

■ Water well(s) affected: None

■ Wastewater facility affected: None. ***(PR)***

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Pursuant to P.L. 8-41, Section 11, Governor Ralph DLG. Torres and Lt. Governor Arnold I. Palacios, through the Health Care Professions Licensing Board (HCPLB) are hereby giving notice that it will hold its regular monthly board meeting on **Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at 8 a.m.** on Saipan. The meeting will be held at the Administration Building, Governor's Conference Room on Capitol Hill.

AGENDA

I. Meeting Call to Order
II. Determination of Quorum
III. Review and Adoption of Agenda
IV. Review and Adoption of Minutes (09/21/2022)
V. Public Comments
VI. Chairperson's Report
  • Welcoming of new member Board (Dr. Angelica Sabino)
VII. Director's Report
  • Financial Report
  • 2022 Citizen Centric Report
  • Update on office staff
VIII. Investigator's Report
IX. Communications from the Governor's Office & Legislature
  A. Governor's Office
    • Invitation to the State of the Commonwealth Address (SOCA)
  B. Legislature
X. Old Business
  • Proposed regulations for Physicians and Osteopathy
  • HB 22-80 (PSYPACT)
XI. New Business
XII. Pending Applications for Board's Review
  A. New Application
  B. Renewal Application
XIII. Miscellaneous Business
XIV. Executive Session: The Board may vote to meet in executive session to consult with Counsel on pending or anticipated legal matters.
XV. Announcements
  A. Next Meeting Date
  B. Adjournment of Meeting

NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION
Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

OPENING DATE: October 25, 2022 CLOSING DATE: November 10, 2022 TIME: 4:00 P.M.

NMHC JVA NO.	Positions:	Salary:
2023-001	1-CDBG-DR Compliance Specialist-Saipan	$25,000.00-$30,000.00 -per annum- UNGRADED
2023-002	2-Staff Engineer Civil/Structural	$70,000.00-$100,000.00 per annum- UNGRADED

Employment application form, detailed job description, qualification requirements and other information may be accessed at www.nmhcgov.net.

Applicants may submit their applications through the following options: Submission at the at the NMHC Central Office in Garapan, Saipan; or at the Drop Box located in front of the NMHC Central Office building; or email application and documents to officemanager@nmhcgov.net.

All applicants must complete and submit the NMHC Employment Application Form together with required documents that are listed in the Employment Application Package. Failure to provide the required documents will result in automatic disqualification. NMHC and all its properties are drug-free zones; therefore, selected applicant will be subject to pre-employment drug screening.

It is the policy of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) that the merit system will be applied and administered according to the principle of equal opportunity for all citizens and nationals as defined by its personnel regulations and the Northern Marianas Commonwealth Constitution regardless of age, race, sex, religion, political affiliation or belief, marital status, disability or place of origin.

For inquiries, please contact Mr. Jacob Muna, Office Manager, at (670) 234-6866/9447or by email to officemanager@nmhcgov.net. NMHC is a fair housing agency and an equal opportunity provider, lender and employer.

/s/
JESSE S. PALACIOS
Corporate Director

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

†Ning Li Pua

Lovingly Known as Ruby

Was born on April 23, 1970,
and went to her new home to meet
our Lord on October 18, 2022.

In her new life, Ning Li Pua will be reunited with her:

Father:	†Li Hong Lin
Parents In-Law:	†Jesus S. and †Gaudelia M. Pua
Brother in-Law:	†Francisco K. Arurang
Sister in-Law:	†Elphidia Georgia M. Pua

Her memories will forever live in the hearts of her

Husband:	Frederico M. Pua
Children:	Angelia Li Pua
	Liang Jia Xing
Mother:	Ma Yun Qing
Siblings:	Li Qian
	Li Yang

Brothers and Sisters In-Law and Family

Rudolfo M. Pua / Irene C. Pua (Sheldeen Maria /Thomas Jose I. Yiftheg [Ehprirene, Michael Rudolfo, Therese Jacinta, Joseph Ramon Sheldon, Benedict Peter Paul and Francisco], Sharmaine Neliga Lulugumei, Shaneese Trindelia, Shenille Haruno, Shizelle Rudene, Maria Ramona, and Rudolfo Jr.)
Loran M. Pua (Melina R. / Manning M. Salas [Zyrah Tehani])
Pauline P. Arurang (Hank Lugufel P. Arurang Jr., Conseco John P. Arurang, Chicko Hensus P. Arurang/Jeromalyn Becky S. Arurang)
Remedio Margarita Pua
Norbert M. Pua / Gayle N. Pua (Louvicki Francile, Jesus Marino, Jovina Cecilia, Levonnie Delia)
Juan George M. Pua / Silva Frances C. Celis (Juan George II, Hayashi Daniel)
Elphidia Deliana/ Enrique S. Cepeda (Eunyse Siomi Weleschighimwar Pua Cepeda)

She will also be greatly missed by her numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives, and friends.

Mass of Intention is offered at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, October 26, 2022 at San Roque Church.
†Ning Li Pua will be with us for the last time on Thursday, October 27, 2022,
beginning at 8:20 am to 9:20 am for the last viewing at the Borja Funeral Home.
Mass will be celebrated on October 27, 2022 at 10:00 am at Santa Remedios Church.

Your thoughts and prayers are sincerely appreciated.

**Dangkulu na Si Yu'us Ma'ase
ginen i asaguaña yan i hagan niha
yan todus i familia**

Overdrive

Honda's redesigned 2023 CR-V is a welcome makeover

By LARRY PRINTZ
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

It's now forgotten that small sport utility vehicles were once dubbed "cute utes," implying that these vehicles weren't true SUVs. However, they've since become the most popular vehicles on the market because of their spacious interiors, compact footprints, exceptional fuel economy, and reasonable prices.

One such cute ute, the Honda CR-V, is Honda's most popular vehicle in 2021, and the fifth-best-selling car in America. It's outsold only by its archrival, the Toyota RAV4, and the full-size Chevrolet, Dodge and Ford pickups.

And for 2023, the Honda CR-V receives a total makeover.

The sixth generation of the Honda CR-V comes with a conventional gas-power in EX and fancier EX-L trim, or as a gas-electric hybrid in Sport and top-of-the-line Sport Touring trim. All come with front-wheel or all-wheel drive and a continuously variable automatic transmission except for the Sport Touring, which gets standard all-wheel drive.

One look at the new CR-V and it's apparent that this model is safe to be seen in for those with Y-chromosomes. The sixth-generation model possesses a simple, square-jawed, clean design that is the hallmark of classic Honda design. Banished are the soft forms and convoluted snout that plagued the 2022 model. And if it looks bigger, that's because it is, being 2.7 inches longer overall with a wheelbase that's 1.6 inches longer and 0.4 inch wider.

The boxy styling and larger size bring with it more cabin space. The new model sports an instrument panel accented in a honeycomb texture that recalls those in the smaller HR-V and Civic. Its horizontal orientation and a lower center console height gives the interior an airier feel than the claustrophobic 2022 model. But front seat passengers aren't the only ones to get more space; rear seat legroom is noticeably more generous. The seats are comfortable and supportive, even for long stretches behind the wheel.

The 2023 Honda CR-V Sport Touring. HONDA/TNS

The instrument panel can be fitted with a 9-inch touchscreen, although a 7-inch infotainment touchscreen and digital instrument cluster are standard. Apple Car Play and Android Auto are also standard, while wireless charging is available. The infotainment system is simpler to use than in the past, especially with the addition of a volume knob. But the software still doesn't have a direct tuning feature or knob, so you have to repeatedly press the up or down tuning buttons to find your desired radio station.

When it comes time to tackle traveling, you'll find that EX and EX-L CR-Vs come with a 1.5-liter turbocharged four-cylinder engine rated at 190 horsepower and 179 pound-feet or torque. It returns an EPA-rated 30 mpg in combined city/highway driving with front-wheel drive, 29 mpg with all-wheel drive. Sport and Sport Touring Hybrids get a 2.0-liter four-cylinder engine paired with a traction motor to assist the engine and a generator motor to recharge the battery pack. It produces 204 horsepower and 247 pound-feet of torque, while returning an EPA-rated at 40 mpg with front-wheel drive, 37 mpg with all-wheel drive.

Having had a chance to drive the Sport Touring Hybrid, I can say it's easily the better driveline, as the conventional gas driveline lags its hybrid sibling in power and fuel economy. Because the CR-V is a conventional hybrid and not a plug-in hybrid, it cannot travel long distances on electricity alone. Honda decided against designing a plug-in because of the additional weight and expense the driveline brings.

Nevertheless, the hybrid offers adequate power and the required fuel economy, returning 36 mpg in combined driving, which is one mpg less than the EPA estimate. The CR-V lacked the instantaneous, seamless torque that is typical of electrified drivelines, and switching into the Sport driving mode makes it livelier, but not noticeably quicker. Also, the engine gets extremely vocal when pushed hard. Notably, the Hyrbid lacks the indecisive power delivery typical of continuously variable transmissions, making it surprisingly enjoyable to drive. It's modestly athletic, with well controlled body lean in corners and good bump absorption. The steering ratio is perfect, enhancing the driving feel. Still some may wish for more power. Another 50 horsepower could transform this family hauler. Might I suggest Honda produce a CR-V Si?

The 2023 CR-V Sport Touring Hybrid I tested starts at $39,845 including destination charge, while the Sport Hybrid starts at $33,695 with front-wheel drive, $35,195 with all-wheel drive. But conventional gas models start at $32,355 and top out at $36,505. Honda expects a 50/50 split between buyers of gas and hybrid models.

The 2023 Honda CR-V is a welcome upgrade with additional interior space, a more fuel-efficient drivetrain, and a classic Honda design aesthetic, making it more alluring than ever. Although it isn't as enjoyable to drive as Honda's sportiest models, it demonstrates sufficient proficiency to be engaging without sacrificing usefulness.

COMMONWEALTH UTILITIES CORPORATION
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

INVITATION FOR BIDS
CUC-IFB-23-001

Sewer Main and Manhole Replacement Project (Chinatown and Navy hill)

The Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) is soliciting competitive sealed bids from qualified firms for the Sewer Main and Manhole Replacement Project (Chinatown and Navy Hill) in Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. The project consists of the installation of gravity sewer main, new service laterals, connection to existing service laterals, and the installation of sewer manholes.

The project is funded by a grant from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and CUC. The award of this project is contingent upon receipt of approval for project award from ARPA.

CUC requires the project to be completed in **365 calendar days** from date of award of contract.

Prospective Bidders for this IFB must pre-register with the CUC Procurement & Supply Division. The IFB package may be obtained from the CUC Procurement and Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room No. 3, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Saipan, between 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on government observed holidays upon completion of registration and presentation of a receipt evidencing a non-refundable payment to the CUC Treasury Section, by cash, check or credit card in the amount of **$200.00** for one IFB package set.

A Pre-Bid Conference followed by site visits will be held on **October 17, 2022 at 10:00 AM (ChST)** at the CUC Main Conference Room, 3rd Floor, Room No. 17, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building.

One (1) original and Five (5) copies of the bid MUST be submitted in a sealed envelope marked **"CUC-IFB-23-001, Sewer Main and Manhole Replacement Project (Chinatown and Navy Hill)"** to the CUC Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room No. 3, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, P.O. Box 501220, Saipan, MP 96950, no later than **10:00 AM (ChST) on November 7, 2022**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids mailed via postal or courier service must be received on or before due date and time or post-marked before due date and time. Bid shall be submitted on the provided Bid Forms. Bidders are required to complete all Bid Forms. Bidders may supplement this form as appropriate. Bids will be required to be submitted under a condition of irrevocability for a period of 60 days after submission. **Late submissions and conditional bids will not be considered.**

A Bid Guarantee of not less than fifteen (15%) percent of the total bid price must accompany the bids. The security deposit may be in cash, certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond executed by a surety company holding a certificate of authority from the Unites States Secretary of Treasury as an acceptable surety.

A Payment Bond of one hundred (100%) percent and a Performance Bond of one hundred (100%) of the total bid price will be required upon the execution of the contract by the successful bidders. The Payment and Performance bond must be executed by a surety company holding a certificate of authority from the United States Secretary of Treasury as an acceptable surety. Surety Company must be authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

All insurers' questions, concerns and qualification shall be handled by the Department of Commerce Office of the Insurance Commissioner (OIC). The OIC is tasked with regulating and monitoring compliance to the CNMI's Insurance Code (Title 4, Division 7). Bidders are required to submit clearance from the OIC certifying their insurer of choice is in compliance with the CNMI's Insurance Code.

All bidders are advised that CUC assumes no responsibility in any act of omission on the part of the bidders due to lack of information or understanding of the bid requirements in the course of Contractor's preparation of a bid under the contract. Bidders are required to comply with all CNMI and applicable Federal Laws. This bid and the ensuing contract shall be executed pursuant to the CUC Procurement Regulations.

This Invitation for Bids does not commit CUC to the award of a contract or contracts, nor to pay any cost incurred in the preparation and submission of bids in anticipation of a contract.

Questions or requests for clarification will be entertained only from pre-registered bidders and must be submitted in writing no later than **10:00 AM (ChST) on October 21, 2022** to Mr. Manny B. Sablan, Jr., CUC Purchasing Administrator, via email address manny.sablan@cucgov.org, with a copy to Larry Manacop, Acting Chief Engineer for Water/Wastewater via email at larry.manacop@cucgov.org, Joel Puyat, CUC's Water/Wastewater Engineer via email at joel.puyat@cucgov.org and Ms. Christie L. Sablan CUC's Procurement & Supply, Senior Administrative Technician. via email address at christie.sablan@cucgov.org.

CUC reserves the right to reject any or all bids for any reason and waive any defects in said bid proposal, if in its sole opinion, to do so would be in the best interest of CUC. All bids shall become the property of CUC.

GARY P. CAMACHO
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MANNY B. SABLAN
PURCHASING ADMINISTRATOR

COMMONWEALTH UTILITIES CORPORATION
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

INVITATION FOR BIDS
CUC-IFB-23-002

Sewer Main and Manhole Replacement Project (Beach Road and Chalan Kanoa)

The Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) is soliciting competitive sealed bids from qualified firms for the Sewer Main and Manhole Replacement Project (Beach Road and Chalan Kanoa) in Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. The project consists of the installation of gravity sewer main, new service laterals, connection to existing service laterals, and the installation of sewer manholes.

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A Pre-Bid Conference followed by site visits will be held on **October 18, 2022 at 10:00 AM (ChST)** at the CUC Main Conference Room, 3rd Floor, Room No. 17, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building.

One (1) original and Five (5) copies of the bid MUST be submitted in a sealed envelope marked **"CUC-IFB-23-002, Sewer Main and Manhole Replacement Project (Beach Road and Chalan Kanoa)"** to the CUC Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room No. 3, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, P.O. Box 501220, Saipan, MP 96950, no later than **10:00 AM (ChST) on November 09, 2022**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids mailed via postal or courier service must be received on or before due date and time or post-marked before due date and time. Bid shall be submitted on the provided Bid Forms. Bidders are required to complete all Bid Forms. Bidders may supplement this form as appropriate. Bids will be required to be submitted under a condition of irrevocability for a period of 60 days after submission. **Late submissions and conditional bids will not be considered.**

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Life & Style

Report: Salman Rushdie lives, but loses use of eye and hand

NEW YORK (AP)—Salman Rushdie's agent says the author has lost sight in one eye and the use of a hand as he recovers from an attack from a man who rushed the stage at an August literary event in western New York, according to a published report.

Literary agent Andrew Wylie told the Spanish language newspaper El Pais in an article published Saturday that Rushdie suffered three serious wounds to his neck and 15 more wounds to his chest and torso in the attack that took away sight in an eye and left a hand incapacitated.

Rushdie, 75, spent years in hiding after Iran's Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini issued a 1989 edict, a fatwa, calling for his death after publication of his novel "The Satanic Verses," which some Muslims consider blasphemous. Over the past two decades, Rushdie has traveled freely.

Rushdie

Hadi Matar, 24, of Fairview, New Jersey, has been incarcerated after pleading not guilty to attempted murder and assault in the Aug. 12 attack on Rushdie as he was being introduced at the Chautauqua Institution, a rurally located center 55 miles (89 kilometers) southwest of Buffalo that is known for its summertime lecture series.

After the attack, Rushdie was treated at a Pennsylvania hospital, where he was briefly put on a ventilator to recover from what Wylie told El Pais was a "brutal attack" that cut nerves to one arm.

Wylie told the newspaper he could not say whether Rushdie remained in a hospital or discuss his whereabouts.

"He's going to live ... That's the important thing," Wylie said.

The attack was along the lines of what Rushie and his agent have thought was the "principal danger ... a random person coming out of nowhere and attacking," Wylie told El Pais.

"So you can't protect against it because it's totally unexpected and illogical," he said.

Wylie told the newspaper it was like Beatles member John Lennon's murder. Lennon was shot to death by Mark David Chapman outside his Manhattan apartment building Dec. 8, 1980, hours after the singer had signed an autograph for Chapman.

In a jailhouse interview with The New York Post, Matar said he disliked Rushdie and praised Khomeini. Iran has denied involvement in the attack.

'Black Adam,' with Dwayne Johnson, debuts with $67M

NEW YORK (AP)—Warner Bros.' "Black Adam" opened with an estimated $67 million, according to studio estimates Sunday, handing Dwayne Johnson his biggest box-office weekend as a leading man and launching the D.C. Comics character he spent a decade to bring to the big screen.

"Black Adam" was a $200-million bid to upset the power balance in a DC Extended Universe dominated by the likes of Batman, Wonder Woman and Superman. The $67 million debut fell well shy of that stratosphere, even with the considerable draw of Johnson acting in his first superhero movie. Still, "Black Adam" managed the highest opening weekend since "Thor: Love and Thunder" debuted with $143 million in July.

Johnson

"Black Adam," which stars Johnson as an ancient Egyptian summoned to the modern day, was notably hobbled by poor reviews (40% fresh on Rotten Tomatoes). Moviegoers were kinder, giving the film a B+ CinemaScore. It collected $73 million internationally for a $140 million global haul.

"Black Adam" took a circuitous route to reach theaters. The character had originally been planned to launch as a villain in 2019's "Shazam!" before executives pivoted to give Black Adam a standalone feature. The goofier "Shazam!," which cost closer to $100 million to make, opened with $53.5 million in ticket sales and wound up an over-achieving success with $366 million worldwide.

The stakes were higher for "Black Adam," though. While promoting the film, Johnson hasn't been shy about his desire to follow up "Black Adam" with a showdown with Superman. But whether the receipts for "Black Adam" are enough to warrant that remains unclear. Under new leadership, Warner Bros. is overhauling its approach to DC Comics adaptations.

Jeff Goldstein, distribution chief for Warner Bros., celebrated the results as a personal best for Johnson outside of the "Fast & Furious" films, and a PG-13 film with broad-based appeal that audiences responded to better than critics. Still, it's a time of transition for Warner Bros.' reorganizing DC unit as the studio seeks more Marvel-sized successes. Next on tap is "Shazam! Fury of the Gods" in March.

"It's all about making good movies. It's all about finding the right scripts," said Goldstein. "Our studio is definitely going through a major revamping of our production leadership and style and approach. I think that we'll be able to crack this nut. We're definitely focused in on doing that."

"Ticket to Paradise," the Bali-set romantic comedy starring Julia Roberts and George Clooney, proved smart counterprogramming. The Universal Pictures release debuted with $16.3 million, well above recent sales for rom-coms, which have struggled in recent years at the box office. The film is already a hit abroad, where it's been in release for the last month, accruing $80.2 million in ticket sales.

Earlier this month, Universal's R-rated "Bros," an LGBTQ milestone in the genre, debuted with a disappointing $4.8 million. "Ticket to Paradise" had a notable advantage in its two stars, and appealed particularly to older audiences;

Climate protesters throw mashed potatoes at Monet painting

BERLIN (AP)—Climate protesters threw mashed potatoes at a Claude Monet painting in a German museum to protest fossil fuel extraction on Sunday, but caused no damage to the artwork.

Two activists from the group Last Generation, which has called on the German government to take drastic action to protect the climate and stop using fossil fuels, approached Monet's "Les Meules" at Potsdam's Barberini Museum and threw a thick substance over the painting and its gold frame.

The group later confirmed via a post on Twitter that the mixture was mashed potatoes. The two activists, both wearing orange high-visibility vests, also glued themselves to the wall below the painting.

"If it takes a painting – with #MashedPotatoes or #TomatoSoup thrown at it – to make society remember that the fossil fuel course is killing us all: Then we'll give you #MashedPotatoes on a painting!" the group wrote on Twitter, along with a video of the incident.

In total, four people were involved in the incident, according to German news agency dpa.

The Barberini Museum said later Sunday that because the painting was enclosed in glass, the mashed potatoes didn't cause any damage. The painting, part of Monet's "Haystacks" series, is expected to be back on display on Wednesday.

"While I understand the activists' urgent concern in the face of the climate catastrophe, I am shocked by the means with which they are trying to lend weight to their demands," museum director Ortrud Westheider said in a statement.

Police told dpa they had responded to the incident, but further information about arrests or charges was not immediately available.

The Monet painting is the latest artwork in a museum to be targeted by climate activists to draw attention to global warming.

The British group Just Stop Oil threw tomato soup at Vincent van Gogh's "Sunflowers" in London's National Gallery earlier this month.

Just Stop Oil activists also glued themselves to the frame of an early copy of Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper" at London's Royal Academy of Arts, and to John Constable's "The Hay Wain" in the National Gallery.

Aunt's broken promises feed a years-long grudge

DEAR ABBY: My aunt is a money-hungry, conniving thief. From the time I was a baby, she always bought me gifts. But when her parents (my grandparents) died, she literally stole more than $200,000 from them. She claims my grandfather willed it all to her, which is not true because he detested her. She promised my mom $5,000 when she retired. Well, it has been 10 years since Mom retired, and my aunt claims she doesn't remember promising her. Then she claimed she invested and lost it. Do I have a right to be angry at her?

MAD IN MICHIGAN

DEAR MAD: I think so, and your mother has the right to be even angrier. My question for you is how much time do you want to waste nursing the grudge? It doesn't hurt your aunt, but it takes up space in your head that could be devoted to positive endeavors. This is not to say you must maintain a relationship with this woman. Quite the contrary.

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DEAR ABBY: We have been visiting our children and have been asked to remove our shoes when inside. I am diabetic. I have been complying with the no-shoes edicts, but reluctantly. We keep our shoes on in our home, so spending several days padding around in my socks makes me uncomfortable.

Abby, diabetics are cautioned to keep their shoes on at all times, even inside. There are real risks to a diabetic's feet. Also, I have trouble navigating stairs and slipped several times while climbing or descending the stairs in my stocking feet. It's dangerous for me to go up and down uncarpeted wood steps. It seems to me that the no-shoes folk should think about some of these issues before issuing a mandate.

DIABETIC DAD IN MISSOURI

DEAR DAD: Do nothing that is counter to your doctor's orders. If you haven't explained them to your children, do it now. Perhaps a compromise could work: Buy a pair of shoes or slippers for indoor use only that you leave at their home for the times when you visit. However, if they are not open to this idea, you will have to visit with them only outside their home.

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DEAR ABBY: I like this guy at work. I think he's cute, but I don't know if he's interested. I also don't know if there's a chance he would ask me out. I'm scared I might be considered a "cougar." I am older than he is by five (or more) years. Please advise.

ANXIOUS IN MARYLAND

DEAR ANXIOUS: Are there any rules at work that discourage employees from dating each other? Some businesses have them. Does this guy spend time talking with you during breaks? If he does, it's a hopeful sign. Has he mentioned what he does outside of work and whether he's seeing anyone? If he does flirt with you, you could always ask if he'd be interested in meeting for a drink after work, going to a sporting event, etc. But be prepared that he may want you only for a friend.

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Good advice for everyone – teens to seniors – is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send your name and mailing address, plus check or money order for $8 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Shipping and handling are included in the price.)

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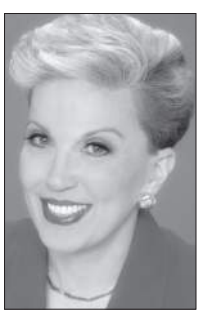

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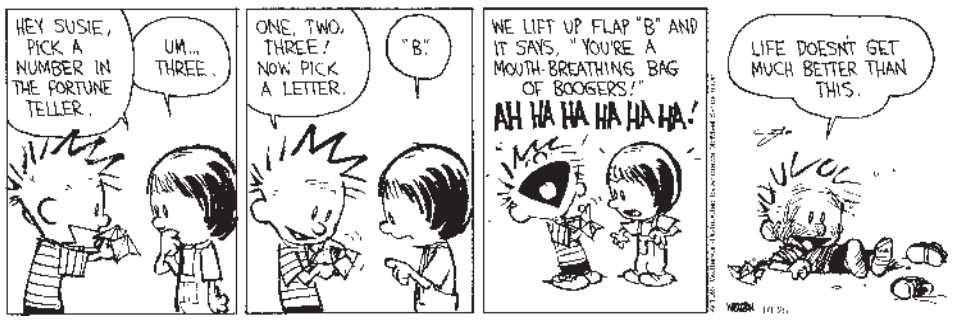
Calvin and Hobbes

By Bill Waterson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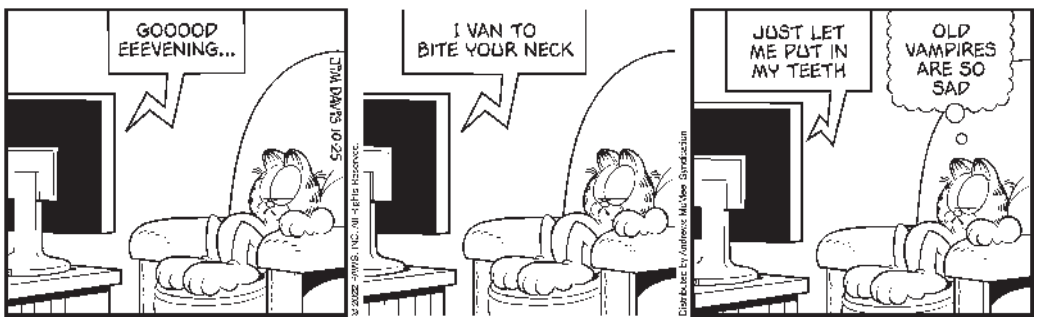
UM... THREE.
ONE, TWO, THREE! NOW PICK A LETTER.
"B."
WE LIFT UP FLAP "B" AND IT SAYS, "YOU'RE A MOUTH-BREATHING BAG OF BOOGERS!"
AH HA HA HA HA HA!
LIFE DOESN'T GET MUCH BETTER THAN THIS.

Garfield®

By Jim Davis



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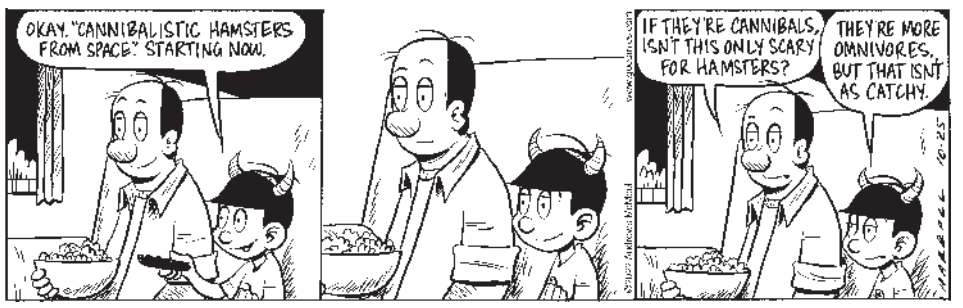
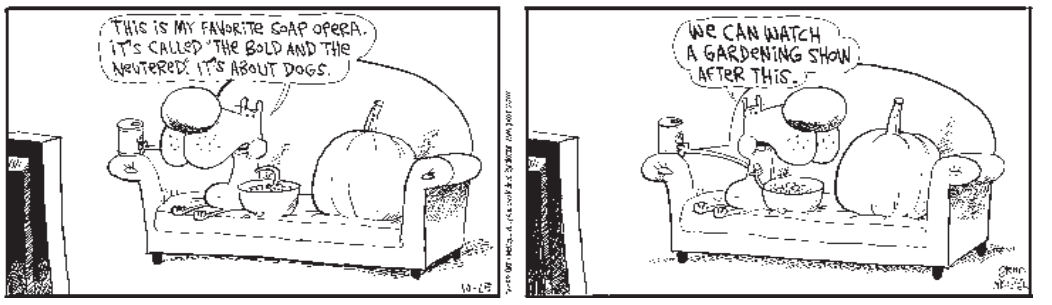
By Bryan Basset


OKAY. "CANNIBALISTIC HAMSTERS FROM SPACE." STARTING NOW.
IF THEY'RE CANNIBALS, ISN'T THIS ONLY SCARY FOR HAMSTERS?
THEY'RE MORE OMNIVORES, BUT THAT ISN'T AS CATCHY.

The Duplex

By Glenn McCoy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CROSSWORD

By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS
1 Stinger
5 Take to court
8 Wheelchair access
12 Utah ski resort
13 QB's goals
14 Old apple spray
15 Yams or beets, e.g.
17 Went on horseback
18 Church seat
19 Scoot
20 Bashes
21 Pirate's grog
22 Tampa Bay NFLer
23 Wrinkle-reducing injection
26 Esteemed
30 Rocker Clapton
31 Wee dollop
32 — -European
33 Alehouse vessel
35 Grind your teeth
36 Low isle
37 Clear the tables
38 Miserly Marner
41 Sheepish remark
42 Rx overseer
45 Prayer ender
46 Chief who opposed the Bozeman Trail
48 Map line
49 Plead
50 Thin nail
51 "500" race
52 British verb ending
53 Norms (Abbr.)

DOWN
1 Get bent out of shape
2 Skin soother
3 Pack cargo
4 Bit of butter
5 Play the banjo
6 Japanese noodle
7 Mentalist's claim
8 Numismatist's collection
9 Oodles
10 Created
11 Corp. VIP
16 Heart of the matter
20 Gaiety
21 Edible sugar crystals
22 Short do
23 Wager
24 Man-mouse link
25 Can material
26 Possessed
27 Genetic letters
28 Cosmo VIPs
29 Homer's cry
31 Parched
34 Remote batteries, often
35 Avocado dip, for short
37 Sheriff's star
38 Mumbai dress
39 "— a roll!"
40 Pencil filler
41 Honey bunch?
42 Garrison
43 Group of two
44 Tosses in
46 MLB stat
47 Ton fractions (Abbr.)

Solution time: 22 mins.

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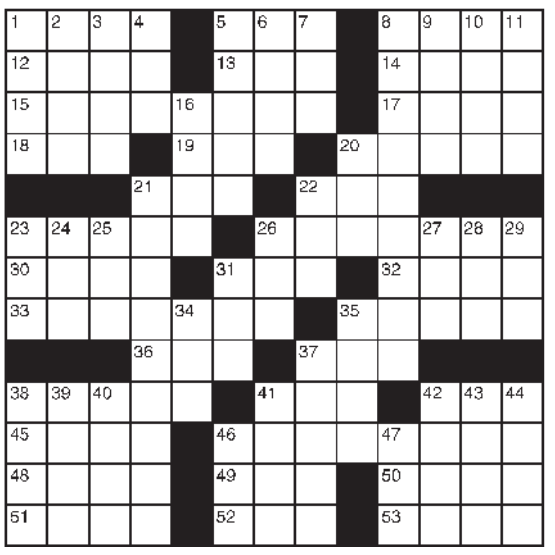

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Ciara, 37; Katy Perry, 38; Josh Henderson, 41; Persia White, 50.

Happy Birthday: Embrace change and new beginnings. Don't let negativity stand between you and your dreams. Put your energy into planning your next big adventure. Use your ingenuity to devise a unique way to handle monetary issues. Steer clear of joint ventures, and don't pay for other people's mistakes or shortcomings. Make personal growth, spirituality and better health your priorities. Your numbers are 3, 11, 23, 26, 35, 38, 43.

ARIES *(March 21-April 19):* Join forces with someone who wants the same things as you. Discuss your thoughts and intentions and map out how you intend to reach your goal. Avoid pressure tactics when trying to get your way. It's best to offer incentives, not threats. ✪✪✪

TAURUS *(April 20-May 20):* Announce your plans, listen to the feedback you receive and discard what you no longer need in your life. Staying on top of what's important to you will stop anyone from trying to interfere with your plans. Do what makes you happy and self-sufficient. ✪✪✪

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Use intelligence and experience to avoid trouble. Put your heart and soul into your responsibilities. Look for opportunities to work alongside people who share your interests and concerns. Get what you want in writing. 3 stars

CANCER *(June 21-July 22):* Hang on to what you've got and find different ways to use items, information and knowledge to suit your needs. Calling on all your resources will make your ideas appealing to superiors and others you want to impress. Mix business with pleasure. ✪✪✪✪

LEO *(July 23-Aug. 22):* Take a deep breath and evaluate what you are up against, then rethink your game plan. Don't feel the need to change something that is working fine. Look for ways to save money and eliminate waste. Don't let someone's uncertainty unnerve you. ✪✪

VIRGO *(Aug. 23-Sept. 22):* Don't be shy. If change is what you want, make it happen. Put your energy into research and success. A personal situation will require your attention. Listen to complaints and offer solutions and incentives that are difficult to turn down. ✪✪✪

LIBRA *(Sept. 23-Oct. 22):* Absorb information and apply what you learn. Your communication skills will help you enlist others to pitch in and help. Take pride in what you do, and don't pay for something that isn't up to your standards. A meeting will lead to success. ✪✪✪

SCORPIO *(Oct. 23-Nov. 21):* Take the initiative to do things before someone puts in a request. Efficiency and consistency will help you gain respect and reach your goals. Take notes, verify information and lower your overhead. Tone down situations by distancing yourself from people who exaggerate.✪✪✪

SAGITTARIUS *(Nov. 22-Dec. 21):* Pitch in and make a difference. The information you gather will give you the lowdown and help you discover the best way to do your part. Refuse to let anyone pressure you to take on more than you can handle. ✪✪✪

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CAPRICORN *(Dec. 22-Jan. 19):* Take a seat, wait and watch; you'll make the right decision. Surprise everyone by applying a unique approach to handling money, earning a living and dealing with manipulative individuals. Positive change and personal gain are apparent. ✪✪✪✪

AQUARIUS *(Jan. 20-Feb. 18):* Don't let your guard down. Joint ventures or shared expenses will get you in trouble. Keep tabs on finances, health and legal matters, or someone will take advantage of you. Stick close to home and fix up your surroundings. ✪✪

PISCES *(Feb. 19-March 20):* Don't let someone's debt drag you down. Put things in perspective and be blatant about what you are comfortable doing for others. Invest more time and money in your appearance and finding the best way to save for something you want. ✪✪✪✪✪

Birthday Baby: You are empathetic, passionate and reserved. You are intense and persistent.

✪: Avoid conflicts; work behind the scenes. ✪✪: You can accomplish, but don't rely on others. ✪✪✪: Focus and you'll reach your goals. ✪✪✪✪: Aim high; start new projects. ✪✪✪✪✪: Nothing can stop you; go for gold.

SUDOKU

Conceptis Sudoku *By Dave Green*

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Difficulty Level ★★ 10/25

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Saturday.

Yesturday Answer

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4	8	5	2	1	7	3	9	6

Difficulty Level ★

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WONDERWORD

By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backward. Find them, circle each letter of the word and strike it off the list. The leftover letters spell the WONDERWORD.

WAIT TIMES Solution: 7 letters

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Yesterday's Answer: Homey

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Astros sweep Yankees in ALCS, advance to World Series again

NEW YORK (AP)—In recent years, it's almost become an October ritual: Astros top Yankees. Astros take pennant.

Yordan Alvarez and Alex Bregman delivered big hits and Houston advanced to the World Series again, finishing a four-game sweep in the AL Championship Series with a 6-5 victory Sunday night aided by another defensive gaffe from New York.

Taking advantage of a costly error by second baseman Gleyber Torres to produce the go-ahead rally in the seventh inning, the Astros won their second consecutive pennant and fourth in six years.

Rookie shortstop Jeremy Peña hit a three-run homer off ailing Yankees starter Nestor Cortes to help the AL West champions overcome an early 3-0 deficit. Peña was picked as the ALCS MVP.

"It's surreal. You dream about this stuff when you're a kid," he said. "We're a step away from the ultimate goal."

Perfect in the playoffs, Houston opens the World Series at home Friday night against Bryce Harper and the wild-card Philadelphia Phillies, who beat San Diego to close out the best-of-seven NLCS in five games.

It was the first time both pennants were decided on the same day since 1992.

After losing to Atlanta in last year's World Series, Houston is 7-0 this postseason, earning the fifth pennant in franchise history and another chance at its second championship.

The team's 2017 title was tainted by a cheating scandal.

"A lot has been said but there's not a lot to say anymore, man. We keep coming here. We keep facing the best of the best and we keep winning," Astros pitcher Lance McCullers Jr. said.

"When everything happened a few years ago, we knew the one thing that we could do is we could win and we could win and win a lot. I understand people are still not going to like us. They're going to boo us, but at some point you have to respect what we're doing."

New York remained without a World Series appearance for 13 years as Aaron Judge's sensational season ended with a whimper. After setting an AL record with 62 home runs, the star slugger can become a free agent next month.

"I could sit here and make excuses about if a ball falls this way, a ball drops that way or a pitch is made here and there. But what it comes down to is they just played better than us," Judge said.

With the playoffs expanded to 12 teams this year, the Phillies became the first club in baseball history to finish third in the standings and still reach the World Series. Philadelphia was 87-75 during the regular season — Justin Verlander and the Astros went 106-56 under manager Dusty Baker, seven games better than any other American League team.

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The Houston Astros celebrate after defeating the New York Yankees 6-5 to win Game 4 and the American League Championship baseball series, Monday, Oct. 24, 2022, in New York

"These are the greatest guys that I've ever been around!" Baker said during the postgame celebration on the field. "They come to play every day — all day."

The 73-year-old Baker is headed to his third World Series in 25 seasons as a major league manager, still seeking his first championship as bench boss. He did win as a player with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

"It's a very exciting time for me and the organization," Baker said before the game. "These guys have come to expect winning. Winning breeds winning."

After racing to a 61-23 record in early July, AL East champion New York was no match for the Astros in October — again.

Houston went 9-2 against the Yankees overall this year and has eliminated them from the playoffs four times in the past eight seasons, including in the ALCS in 2017 and 2019.

In fact, New York has lost in its last five trips to the AL Championship Series and hasn't claimed a pennant since winning its record 27th World Series championship in 2009.

No. 28 has proved most elusive.

"This is as bad as it gets," manager Aaron Boone said.

Back in the leadoff spot, Harrison Bader had three hits and scored three times for New York. He connected off winning pitcher Hector Neris for his fifth home run of the playoffs, giving the Yankees a 5-4 lead in the sixth.

They couldn't hold it when they absolutely had to.

Peña hit what should have been an inning-ending double-play ball to Torres in the seventh. But his flip to second base went wide of shortstop Isiah Kiner-Falefa as the crowd of 46,545 groaned, and the Astros had two runners on.

Alvarez singled home the tying run on the next delivery from losing pitcher Jonathan Loáisiga, and Bregman put Houston ahead with an RBI single off Clay Holmes.

It was the sixth error of this postseason for the Yankees, who also gave the Astros a pivotal gift in Game 3. Chas McCormick hit an early two-run homer off New York ace Gerrit Cole after Bader, a Gold Glove outfielder, dropped a two-out fly when he nearly collided with Judge in right-center.

Bryan Abreu, Rafael Montero and Ryan Pressly shut the door with perfect relief.

Pressly retired Judge on a comebacker for his third save of the series and fourth this postseason, sending the Astros rushing out of the dugout for ecstatic hugs and handshakes on the infield.

Moments later, a throng of orange-clad Houston fans chanted ``Sweep! Sweep!'' behind the team's third base dugout in a mostly empty Yankee Stadium.

Astros players and coaches then headed inside their clubhouse for a booze-filled party, dancing to loud rap music and drinking beer out of Peña's MVP trophy.

"They beat us in every facet," Cole said.

Handed an early 3-0 lead, Cortes walked No. 9 batter Martín Maldonado to start the third and fell behind 2-1 on slumping Jose Altuve.

Something wasn't right. Boone and head athletic trainer Tim Lentych went to the mound for a quick check on Cortes, who initially remained in the game.

But he walked Altuve, marking the first time the All-Star lefty issued consecutive free passes this season. And eight pitches after the mound visit, Peña launched a 3-1 slider into the left-field seats to tie it.

"I don't think that homer was because I was hurt," Cortes said. "It was just, he put a good swing to it. I thought I had located the pitch pretty well."

That was it for Cortes, who exited with a left groin injury that he reaggravated during workout days before the playoffs. He was sidelined from Aug. 22 through Sept. 7 with a strained left groin.

"We could tell that something was wrong with Nestor because he never throws that many balls," Baker said. "Usually he has pinpoint control. So that helped us a lot."

Alvarez doubled off Wandy Peralta and went to third when Peralta got nailed by Kyle Tucker's line drive that went for an infield single with one out. Yuli Gurriel bounced an RBI single through an open right side to put Houston ahead 4-3, but Peralta prevented further damage.

Phillies 4, Padres 3

In Philadelphia, Bryce Harper broke up the Phillies postseason party on the mound and directed his team to where the true revelry was about to begin for the National League champs.

"C'mon, let's go inside! Let's go!" he ordered.

With that, Harper walked toward the dugout and raised his arms in jubilation to the soundtrack of Phillies fans screaming "MV3! MV3! " The Phillies scrambled inside for the Broad Street Bubbly that awaited in the clubhouse.

Harper made the scene possible because he rose to the moment Philly demanded of him from the time he signed the richest free-agent deal in baseball history. Harper has made the monumental feat of hitting a baseball look so easy in the postseason and with the NL pennant at stake, he delivered with the defining moment of his four-year Philadelphia career.

Harper slugged his fifth homer of the postseason, a two-run blast in the eighth inning that turned Citizens Bank Park into a madhouse, and the $330 million slugger powered the Phillies past the San Diego Padres 4-3 on Sunday and into the World Series for the first the time since 2009.

One swing. One opposite-field shot. One game-winning home run that about seemed destined from the moment he came to the plate in the eighth inning with the Phillies and their fans beckoning Bryce to deliver in the clutch just one more time.

"I hit the ball, and I just looked at my dugout and kind of it's for all of them," Harper said. "It's for this whole team. It's for this whole organization."

Rhys Hoskins also hit a two-run homer in Game 5 of the NL Championship Series to spark Philadelphia's improbable run to the pennant and a shot at its first World Series championship since 2008.

Harper, Hoskins & Crew are coming for a most improbable World Series championship.

Harper was named NLCS MVP and he as parked the trophy on a dais, he made it clear the personal awards meant nothing to him without a ring.

"I don't really care about this but MLB is making me do it," Harper said.

Philadelphia trailed 3-2 when J.T. Realmuto began the eighth with a single off reliever Robert Suarez. Harper then lined a 2-2, 98 mph sinker the opposite way, into the left-field seats as another sellout crowd of 45,485 shook the stadium.

Harper hoped the homer set the stage for other highlights on deck in the next couple of weeks.

"We've got four more," the two-time NL MVP told the fans during an on-field celebration, and they roared again.

The lefty-swinging Harper connected off a righty — the Padres had left-handed closer Josh Hader warming in the bullpen, but didn't bring him in.

"It's a thought at this point, but that wasn't what we were thinking," Padres manager Bob Melvin said. "We were trying to get to four-out position for Hader, and we had a lot of confidence in Suarez."

The Phillies felt the same way about Harper.

"Pure chaos, right? I don't think anybody was surprised," Hoskins said. "This guy has a knack for coming up in the biggest moments. It's just what he's done his whole career, and we've seen it plenty of times."

Remember, too: When Harper's thumb was broken by a pitch from San Diego's Blake Snell in late June, there were some concerns that he might not return this season.

Instead, the star who signed a 13-year contract to play in Philadelphia delivered — in this season, in this game.

Even after Harper's homer put them ahead, it wasn't an easy ending for the Phillies.

Reliever David Robertson was pulled after a pair of one-out walks in the ninth. Ranger Suárez made his first relief appearance of the season and retired Trent Grisham on a bunt and got Austin Nola — brother of Phils ace Aaron Nola — on a routine fly to finish it for a huge save.

The Phillie Phanatic swayed a National League champions flag as the postseason banger "Dancing On My Own" blared throughout the stadium. Alec Bohm and Nick Castellanos stripped off their shirts and danced in the clubhouse. Cigars were let. Cheap beer was sprayed. The alcohol puddles on the carpet went deeper than the ones caused by the rain in a sloppy, gusty Game 5.

Philly, get ready.

Panthers stun Brady, Bucs 21-3 as Tampa Bay drops below .500

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP)—Tom Brady and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers fell below .500 with a stunning 21-3 loss to the Carolina Panthers, who won their second game of the season Sunday despite playing with a third-string quarterback and interim head coach.

Brady was 32-of-49 passing for 290 yards for the Bucs (3-4). One of those incompletions came when a wide-open Mike Evans dropped what would have been a 64-yard touchdown on the third play of the game.

Brady hasn't had a losing record this far into a season since the 2002 New England Patriots dropped four straight games to reach 3-4.

P.J. Walker threw for 177 yards and two touchdowns for Carolina (2-5) in place of injured Baker Mayfield and Sam Darnold. The Panthers won for the first time under interim coach Steve Wilks, who replaced Matt Rhule when he was fired Oct. 10.

AP

Tampa Bay Buccaneers quarterback Tom Brady (12) is sacked by Carolina Panthers linebacker Frankie Luvu (49) and teammate defensive end Yetur Gross-Matos (97) during the second half of an NFL football game Sunday, Oct. 23, 2022, in Charlotte, N.C.

Commanders 23, Packers 21

In Landover, Md., Aaron Rodgers and the Green Bay offense sputtered and Washington handed the Packers their third straight loss.

Nursing a sore thumb and out of sync with receivers, Rodgers was 23 of 35 for 194 yards and the Packers went 0 of 6 on third down. Green Bay (3-4) had just 232 total yards of offense to Washington's 364 and lost Allen Lazard to a shoulder injury, making him the team's third wide receiver to go down during the first losing streak under coach Matt LaFleur.

Dolphins 16, Steelers 10

In Miami Gardens, Fla., Tua Tagovailoa got Miami off to a fast start in his return from a concussion, and the Dolphins held on throughout a scoreless second half to beat Pittsburgh.

The Dolphins (4-3) snapped a three-game skid that began on Sept. 29, when Tagovailoa was concussed in a loss at Cincinnati.

Miami coach Mike McDaniel opted not to have Jason Sanders kick his fourth field goal of the game midway through the third quarter for a two-score lead. Chase Edmonds was stuffed for no gain on fourth-and-3 from the Pittsburgh 13.

Chiefs 44, 49ers 23

In Santa Clara, Calif., Patrick Mahomes threw for 423 yards and three touchdowns as Kansas City rallied from a double-digit deficit to beat San Francisco.

Mahomes got off to a rough start in this Super Bowl rematch with his early interception putting Kansas City (5-2) in a 10-0 hole. But he led the Chiefs to touchdowns on six of the next seven drives.

Giants 23, Jaguars 17

In Jacksonville, Fla., two New York defenders tackled Christian Kirk inside the 1-yard line as time expired to preserve the win over Jacksonville.

The Giants matched their best start since 2008. Quarterback Daniel Jones ran for a career-high 107 yards and a touchdown, turning to his legs to carry the Giants (6-1) down the stretch. He ran for 35 yards on a go-ahead drive and capped it with a 1-yard plunge after consecutive penalties by Jacksonville moved the ball inches from the goal line.

Jets 16, Broncos 9

In Denver, rookie Breece Hall ran for a 62-yard touchdown before leaving with a knee injury and surprising New York won its fourth straight by beating backup quarterback Brett Rypien and punchless Denver.

The Jets (5-2) are off to their best start since 2010, have their first four-game winning streak since 2015 and have already surpassed their win total from last year when they went 4-13. New York improved to 4-0 on the road.

Ravens 23, Browns 20

In Baltimore, Gus Edwards ran for two touchdowns in his first game back from a major knee injury, and Baltimore avoided another fourth-quarter collapse thanks to a couple huge Cleveland penalties.

The Ravens (4-3) led 23-13 after Justin Tucker's 55-yard field goal with 11:24 remaining, but the Browns responded with a 2-yard touchdown run by Kareem Hunt to make it a three-point game. Then a fumble by Baltimore's Justice Hill gave Cleveland the ball at its own 16 with 3:12 to play.

Cowboys 24, Lions 6

In Arlington, Texas, Ezekiel Elliott ran for two 1-yard touchdowns and Dak Prescott threw for a score in his return from injury while Dallas leaned on its defense to beat Detroit.

The Cowboys (5-2) recovered Jamaal Williams' fumble inside their 1 with a four-point lead early in the fourth quarter. Jared Goff was responsible for four other Detroit turnovers — he threw two interceptions and lost two fumbles.

Seahawks 37, Chargers 23

In Inglewood, Calif., rookie Kenneth Walker III rushed for 168 yards and two touchdowns, Marquise Goodwin caught a pair of scores, and Seattle jumped out to a 17-point first-quarter lead and beat Los Angeles.

Geno Smith completed 20 of 27 passes for 210 yards and two touchdowns, his fifth multi-TD game of the season. Jason Myers added three field goals for the Seahawks (4-3), who have won three of four and took a half-game lead in the NFC West.

Titans 19, Colts 10

In Nashville, Tenn., Andrew Adams returned an interception 76 yards for the first pick-6 of his career, and Tennessee never trailed while completing its second straight sweep of AFC South rival Indianapolis.

The reigning two-time division champion Titans (4-2) won their fourth straight overall, and they've now beaten the Colts five straight times.

Bengals 35, Falcons 17

In Cincinnati, Joe Burrow passed for 345 yards and three touchdowns in the first half as Cincinnati scored on its first four possessions to roll past Atlanta.

The Cincinnati quarterback played his best game of the season, finishing 34 of 42 for 481 yards and three touchdowns and running for a 1-yard score as the defending AFC champion Bengals (4-3) moved above .500 for the first time this season.

Raiders 38, Texans 20

In Las Vegas, Josh Jacobs rushed for 143 yards and three second-half touchdowns as Las Vegas ran away from Houston.

In a battle of one-win teams coming off byes, the Raiders (2-4) dominated the Texans (1-4-1) after halftime, outscoring them 28-10 behind 227 yards of offense, including 98 from Jacobs on the ground.

Winless Lakers keep struggling, Warriors top Kings in shootout

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Damian Lillard scored 41 points, Jerami Grant made a driving layup with three seconds left, and the unbeaten Portland Trail Blazers kept the Los Angeles Lakers winless under new coach Darvin Ham with a 106-104 victory Sunday.

Portland trailed 102-95 with 1:56 to play, but ended the game on an 11-2 run and won it when LeBron James missed a 17-footer at the buzzer.

Patrick Beverley, James and Russell Westbrook all missed shots for LA down the stretch, and Anfernee Simons hit a leaning layup over Anthony Davis with 36 seconds left to trim Portland's deficit to 102-101. Lillard then drilled his sixth 3-pointer, but James drove straight through the paint for an uncontested tying dunk with 7.7 seconds to play.

Grant, who finished with 16 points, then drove and scored the tiebreaking bucket. James had a decent look at the basket on the final play, but couldn't connect.

James had 31 points, eight rebounds and eight assists, while Davis finished with 22 points, 10 rebounds and six blocked shots for the Lakers (0-3).

Warriors 130, Kings 125

In San Francisco, Stephen Curry scored 28 of his 33 points during an 89-point first half, and Golden State beat former top assistant Mike Brown and Sacramento.

Curry, who recorded his third straight 30-point performance to start the season, scored 21 points in the second quarter with five 3-pointers and shot 11 for 22 overall, including 7 of 12 on 3s. The reigning NBA Finals MVP helped Golden State to its third-most points in any half in franchise history and second-most in a first half. The Warriors' 50 points in the second quarter were a franchise record and matched the third-most points in any period.

De'Aaron Fox scored 26 after two 30-point games and Domantas Sabonis contributed 19 points and 14 rebounds, but didn't play in the fourth for winless Sacramento (0-3) in the second night of a back-to-back.

Jazz 122, Pelicans 121, OT

In New Orleans, Lauri Markkanen capped a 31-point performance with clutch free throws late in overtime, Kelly Olynyk hit a go-ahead, driving scoop with 3 seconds to go in the extra period, and overhauled Utah beat New Orleans to remain unbeaten through three games under new coach Will Hardy.

Utah had to regroup after losing a 17-point lead in the fourth quarter and trailing 110-107 when CJ McCollum hit a 3-pointer in the final minute of regulation. But Jordan Clarkson hit a tying 3 to force overtime and Utah had the benefit of not having to play against Brandon Ingram or Zion Williamson in overtime.

Cavaliers 117, Wizards 107, OT

In Cleveland, Donovan Mitchell scored 37 points in his home debut and atoned for some critical mistakes in the final minute of regulation with two big plays in overtime, leading Cleveland over Washington.

Mitchell had a three-point play and steal in the final 1:43 of OT as the Cavs thrilled a sellout crowd that got its first look at the three-time All-Star since he came over from Utah in a blockbuster offseason trade.

Cedi Osman also had a three-point play in the extra session and finished with 16 points for Cleveland, which blew a seven-point lead in the last 47 seconds of regulation. Jarrett Allen had 15 points and 14 rebounds for the Cavs.

Hornets 126, Hawks 109

In Atlanta, Kelly Oubre Jr. scored 24 points, Nick Richards added a career-high 20 points and grabbed 11 rebounds in a reserve role, and Charlotte coasted past Atlanta.

The Hornets won decisively despite being without three projected leading scorers. LaMelo Ball has missed the first three games this season with a left ankle sprain. Terry Rozier couldn't play after spraining his right ankle in the home-opening loss to New Orleans on Friday, and Miles Bridges has been sidelined since early July with three felony domestic violence charges.

Dennis Smith Jr., who started in Rozier's spot, scored 18 points as the Hornets improved to 2-1 on the young season.

Timberwolves 116, Thunder 106

In Oklahoma City, Anthony Edwards scored 30 points, and Minnesota beat Oklahoma City.

Edwards made 13 of 19 field goals and had 11 rebounds. He also scored 30 points in his previous game on Friday against Utah.

Minnesota's two 7-footers were effective. Rudy Gobert had 15 points and 15 rebounds, and Karl-Anthony Towns added 15 points, eight rebounds and five assists. They helped Minnesota outrebound Oklahoma City 54-42.

Suns 112, Clippers 95

In Los Angeles, Devin Booker scored 35 points, Chris Paul became the third player in NBA history to reach 11,000 assists, and Phoenix beat Los Angeles.

The Suns didn't waste any time getting started on the blowout. They raced to an 11-0 lead from the opening tip and led by 20 points at halftime and again in the third.

Marcus Morris scored 22 points, John Wall added 17 points and Paul George had 16 points in the Clippers' home opener after winning their first two games on the road. Kawhi Leonard had 11 points and six rebounds in 21 minutes off the bench in his second game of the season.

TanHoldings rules Kanoa in men's soccer

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TanHoldings Football Club ruled Kanoa Football Club, 6-2, in the continuation of the Marianas Soccer League Fall 2022 Division A game last Oct. 16 at the NMI Soccer Training Center in Koblerville.

The first goal was rattled in the 13th minute as Jireh Yobech cut through the keeper to score for TanHoldings. Minutes went by as both teams traversed the field with no goals until the 32nd minute by Kanoa's Brian Lubao to tie the game up.

Yobech found the ball under his feet once more in the 45th minute and catapulted it to the net for a one-point lead. He then completed the hat-trick third goal five minutes later for a two-point lead over Kanoa. Kanoa's Andruw Omelau then scored what is to be their final goal in the 55th minute.

However, TanHoldings wasn't done yet as Isiah Hossain kept the goals coming when he scored two of his own and the last goal was made by Yobech once again for the final score of 6-2.

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The TanHoldings Football Club is seen during a game in the Marianas Soccer League at the NMI Soccer Training Center in Koblerville.

U17 NT 5, Paire 0

The U17 NT boys silenced Paire, 5-0 in another Division A game of the night.

Eleven minutes into the game, Leland Deleon Guerrero scored the first goal and that was it for the first half.

Paire couldn't get a bite on the ball while the U17 boys found the net again four more times in the second half, contributed by Philip Megino's two goals, and Wataru Kadokura, and Ruben Guerrero's one goal each.

Hana FC 2, Old B Bank 1

Hana Football Club slipped past Old B Bank, 2-1 in the first Division B game of the night.

The first half consisted of missed opportunities and rejection as both teams almost ended up with goose-eggs, but Hana's Ace Lee managed to maneuver the ball into the net to break the game open in the 33rd minute.

Teammate Timothy Tawinpay followed up in the second half to bring them up 2-0 with the time running out for Old B Bank. Old B Bank's Rex De Jose finally scored in the 65th minute but it was too late to play catch up with Hana as the game ended.

Matansa 6, Chang Bai Hu 1

Matansa made Chang Bai Hu eat the dust, 6-1, in the last Division B game of the night.

Just four minutes into the game, Juhn Tenorio of Matansa broke through the goal. Chang Bai Hu struggled in the first half as they came up empty while Matansa's Harry Kapwich, Garret Weaver, and Dylan Mister collectively scored three goals for a 4-0 lead.

Min Guang Xu of Chang Bai Hu finally found the back of the net in the 52nd minute but that was their first and last goal of the night. Gabriel Arkoh Jr. and Jacob Arkoh scored the last two goals of the game for the final tally of 6-1.

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participate in a great, fun, and supporting competition. I would dedicate my victory to my family and friends who cheered me on and wished me luck during the competition."

She said slinging is a good way of reconnecting with her roots and at the same time meeting new friends.

"I always thought that slinging was a fun and cool way of understanding and connecting with our ancestors, which made me interested in participating in the sport. Even though I never really practiced since last year, I am happy that I was able to improve and enjoy myself during this exciting event!" said Lazaro, who like Manglona also hails from Tinian.

Women's runner-up was Janean King with Krissy Cepeda taking third place.

In the juniors category, Saipan's Roque Camacho Jr. took the top spot with Ky-Mani Nabors and Francisco Moses finishing second and the third, respectively.

Moses actually edged Rickson Manglona in an extra round match to make the podium finish.

Camacho was the competition's youngest participant at 8 years old. Last year he barely made any points and came back this year to win it all.

The prizes for each category were handmade slings from Guelu and his group from Luta and Brandon Cruz from Tinian as well as $250 for first place, $150 for second, and $100 for third from Tinian Mayor Edwin Aldan.

In all, 23 slingers took part in the 2nd Annual Sling Competition. Targets were 60 feet away for the men and women, while it was 50 feet away for the juniors.

Typhoon Sports Association president Keith Nabors congratulated Manglona, Lazaro, and Camacho for topping their divisions.

"We had slingers from Saipan, Luta, Guam, and Tinian. It was exciting to say the least. I just love spreading the sport of slinging and mayor Aldan gives us the venue and opportunity to showcase the talented slingers of the Marianas. This is the second time we're having this and the sport continues to grow especially amongst the youth. It helps them learn about their culture and heritage and they get to compete in front of off-island visitors at the Taga Festival.

Aside from thanking Aldan, Nabors also extended his kudos to a slew of supporters who all made the 2nd Annual Sling Competition a success.

"Special thanks to mayor Aldan for always supporting everything local. Thanks to the weavers Guelu, Brandon Cruz, Jesstor Rosario, Danny Rangamar, Galen, Rod, and unko Ton. Thanks as well to the mayor's boys for the sling cage. And to the Taga Fest planning committee especially Myrese Dorothy and Marlena. Also to Fleming Power and Associates and Power Builders. We couldn't have done it aslo without all our volunteers. And to the competitors we will see you next year! Shoutout also to a guy who has always mentored me and who is always supporting the slinging across the Marianas, Roman Dela Cruz from Guam. Si yuus maasi my brotha," said Nabors.

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NBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	3	0	1.000	—
Brooklyn	1	1	.500	1½
New York	1	1	.500	1½
Toronto	1	2	.333	2
Philadelphia	0	3	.000	3

Southeast Division

Atlanta	2	1	.667	—
Washington	2	1	.667	—
Charlotte	2	1	.667	—
Miami	1	2	.333	1
Orlando	0	3	.000	2

Central Division

Milwaukee	2	0	1.000	—
Cleveland	2	1	.667	½
Indiana	1	2	.333	1½
Chicago	1	2	.333	1½
Detroit	1	2	.333	1½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

New Orleans	2	1	.667	—
Memphis	2	1	.667	—
San Antonio	2	1	.667	—
Dallas	1	1	.500	½
Houston	0	3	.000	2

Northwest Division

Utah	3	0	1.000	—
Portland	3	0	1.000	—
Denver	2	1	.667	1
Minnesota	2	1	.667	1
Oklahoma City	0	3	.000	3

Pacific Division

L.A. Clippers	2	1	.667	—
Phoenix	2	1	.667	—
Golden State	2	1	.667	—
Sacramento	0	3	.000	2
L.A. Lakers	0	3	.000	2

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Mendoza, and Ramon chipped in the remaining 11 points for a wide berth away from San Antonio. Mendoza brought in the most buckets for the team with 13.

In the second game, Chalan Kiya made light work of San Vicente, pulverizing them, 53-26 in the U18 boys division.

It was a rough and tumble game as although Chalan Kiya scored the most buckets, they also committed the most fouls, allowing 10 points from free throws for San Vicente.

Chalan Kiya's Justice Aldan swished the net the most with 22 of the team's 53 points, with teammate Lushawn Reyes firing 8, Harry Kapwich scoring 6, Paul Baitlon scoring 5, and Jayvan Kapwich, Derek Rangamar, and Ton Peter scoring the rest of the team's points throughout the game.

San Vicente was fazed as they were fouled left and right and they could only put up 20 more points besides their free throws. In the end, Palino Hilario Jr. and Jacky Liu netted 7 each, with Jerald Aquino adding 6, Nolan Cultura shooting 5, and with Chris Pino's 1 point.

First Game

Kagman 40 – Mendoza 13, Travilla 11, Kautz 9, Ramon 4, Younis 3

San Antonio 28 – Fatialofa 18, Chavez 5, Enriquez 3, Navarro 2

Scoring by halves: 23-17, 40-28

Second Game

Chalan Kiya 53 – Aldan 22, Reyes 8, Kapwich 6, Baitlon 5, H. Rangamar 4, Peter 4, J. Kapwich 4

San Vicente 26 – Liu 7, Hilario Jr. 7, Kultura 5, Aquino 6, Pino 1

Scoring by halves: 29-15, 53-26

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just be aware of wherever you're at; to be aware of people and… avoid confrontation at all costs.

"I take pride in trying to figure out how to win an altercation with what I like to call 'verbal Judo.' How can I navigate this so that I don't get into a physical altercation? Because I myself have never been into a physical altercation outside of training and fighting, thank goodness. So just awareness and confidence and showing compassion and kindness, but if ever in the event that you have to defend yourself, always I like to say, no balance, no fight," he said.

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Participants of the free self-defense clinic led by Frank "The Crank" Camacho pose for a group photo last Saturday at the Trench Tech Purebred Gym. The clinic was held in awareness and support of Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Additionally, "just showing them a solid fight position. I showed them two strikes, the jab and the cross—just a tight guard of defending yourself and then… if you ever do fall to the ground, how to get back up because almost 90% of all altercations or fights end up [on] the ground. So when you're on the ground, how do you properly fall so you don't hit your head and sustain massive injuries… and how do you work your way back up 'til you get to your fighting position or your defensive position and into a position where you can get into a running position where you can get away from the threat…" Camacho said about the lessons in the clinic.

"It was really fun and everyone just had a really good time."

He then thanked the "Fit to Lead team, Office of the Governor, Cuki [Alvarez] and Mari [Alvarez] at Trench Tech, Kiki and the Domestic Violence Month committee, and all the participants that came by to learn some self-defense fitness."

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Manglona, Lazaro top Tinian sling competition

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Participants of Typhoon Sports Association's 2nd Annual Sling Competition pose for a group photo after the event held last Saturday in Jones Beach on Tinian.

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Men's winner JoeRay Manglona in action during 2nd Annual Sling Competition held last Saturday in Jones Beach on Tinian.

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Joe Ray Manglona and Sienna Lazaro were the top marksmen in Typhoon Sports Association's 2nd Annual Sling Competition held last Saturday in Jones Beach on Tinian.

Manglona won the men's division after scoring 18 points with five bullseyes, while Lazaro totaled 9 points with one bullseye after finishing with 2 points all of last year.

Sling scoring is 1 point for a hit on any part of the board and 2 points if you hit a bullseye. Last weekend's competition was made up of five rounds with five throws per round.

"I have nothing but gratitude and positive vibes. The best part was seeing all the youth and adults from Tinian, Rota, Saipan, and Guam enjoy the event and want to participate and support more and achieve solidarity in this sport," said Manglona.

He has been slinging since 2017 after meeting Rota's very own international slinging champion, master slinger, and pioneer Ben Guelu at the Fokai Shop Guam.

"I would like to express my gratitude and appreciation to Mr. Keith Nabors and the Typhoon Sports Association, Tinian's master weaver Brandon J. Cruz, the Tinian Mayor's Office, and all our sponsors for making this event happen," added Manglona.

Coming in second to Manglona was Keith Nabors Jr., while Peter Ayuyu Jr. rounded up the Top 3.

Lazaro, for her part, said she was totally caught off guard when she won the women's division.

"Well overall I didn't think that I was going to win first place, but I really am happy that I got to experience and

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Kagman defeats San Antonio in village hoops

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Kaia Travilla of Kagman drives against Maria Enriquez of San Antonio in the women's open division game of the 2022 Marianas Village Pride Basketball League last Sunday at the Gillette Multi-Purpose Gymnasium.

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Kagman gave San Antonio U15 Girls National Team a neat lesson in basetball as they won 40-28 in the women's open division of the 2022 Marianas Village Pride Basketball League last Sunday at the Gillette Multi-Purpose Gymnasium in Gualo Rai.

The girls came running strong out of the starting gates with San Antonio's Azriel Fatialofa taking control of the reins as she scored 12 of their team's 17 points in the first half.

Teammate Kaithlyn Chavez made the team's first 2 points, followed by Chealzka Navarro's 2 points, and Venice Enriquez' free throw.

Azriel ended the game with 18 points—the most of the game but was laid to waste as the team could not bridge the widening gap against Kagman.

Kagman came out of the first period with 6 points in the lead after a flurry of 3-pointers from Yasmeen Younis with one, ShaAina Mendoza with two, and Mikki Kautz with one. Kautz added 4 more points for good measure along with Mendoza and Kaia Travilla's two points each and Travilla's free throw.

In the second period, Kagman extended the ceiling even further with 40 points as San Antonio could not catch up and ended with 28 points.

The bulk of the points for Kagman in the final half were swished in by Travilla with 6, and her teammates Kautz,

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UFC vet leads self-defense class

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Ultimate Fighting Championship veteran and current Fit to Lead ambassador Frank "The Crank" Camacho taught a free two-hour self-defense clinic last Saturday at the Trench Tech Purebred Saipan Gym in collaboration with the Northern Marianas Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence for Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

More than 40 participants of all ages took part in the clinic which was intended to raise public education and awareness on domestic violence, basic self-defense techniques, including the promotion of health, wellness, and fitness in the CNMI.

"We were all having so much fun, [and] I was so surprised at the turnout," said Camacho about the event.

The mixed martial arts expert was asked what concepts and techniques were taught in the class and he said it "was really more so covering the concepts and the principles of awareness and confidence—most especially when you're walking to the car, to be aware—don't park in [a] dark alley;

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Frank "The Crank" Camacho demonstrates a self-defense tactic with Mari Alvarez in a defensive stance during the free self-defense clinic held last Saturday at the Trench Tech gym in awareness and support of Domestic Violence Awareness Month.